



Geronimo Stilton

# SPACEMICE

## THE INVISIBLE PLANET



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My dear mouse friends,

Have I ever told you how much I love science fiction? I've always wanted to write incredible adventures set in **another dimension**, but I've never believed that parallel universes exist . . . until now!

That's because my good friend **Professor Paws von Volt**, the brilliant, secretive scientist, has just made an incredible discovery. Thanks to some mousetropic calculations, he determined that there are **many different dimensions in time and space**, where anything could be possible.

The professor's work inspired me to write this science fiction adventure in which my family and I travel through space in search of new worlds. We're a fabumouse crew: the spacemice!

I hope you enjoy this intergalactic adventure!

*Geronimo Stilton*



**PROFESSOR  
PAWS VON VOLT**

# THE SPACEMICE

GERONIMO  
STILTONIX



TRAP  
STILTONIX



THEA  
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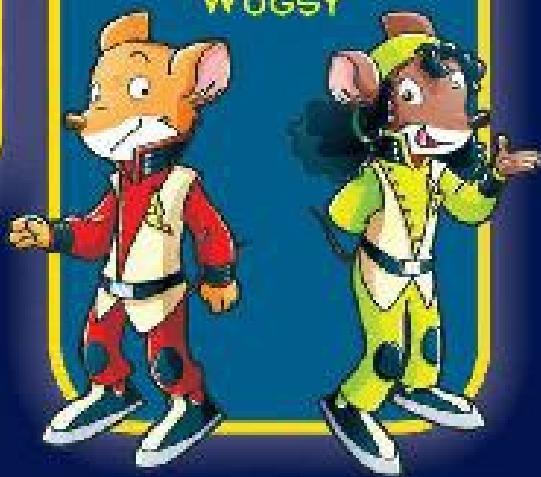
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WILLIAM STILTONIX



ROBOTIX



BENJAMIN  
STILTONIX  
AND BUGSY  
WUGSY



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*In the darkness of the farthest galaxy in time and space is a spaceship inhabited exclusively by mice.*

*This fabumouse vessel is called the MouseStar 1, and I am its captain!*

*I am **Geronimo Stiltonix**, a somewhat accident-prone mouse who (to tell you the truth) would rather be writing novels than steering a spaceship.*

*But for now, my adventurous family and I are busy traveling around the universe on exciting intergalactic missions.*

**THIS IS THE  
LATEST ADVENTURE  
OF THE SPACEMICE!**





# THE SHATTERMOUSIX

It was a calm cosmic afternoon: no **solar storms** on the horizon, no planets in danger, no urgent appointments in my digital calendar. In fact, the universe was so **calm** that Grandfather William had even given me a few hours off to rest!

Holey space cheese, I could finally write some more of my epic novel: **The Amazing Adventures of the Spacemice**. Oh, excuse me — I haven't introduced myself! My name is Stiltonix, **Geronimo Stiltonix**, and I am captain of the *MouseStar 1*, the most mouserific spaceship in the universe. (It's a fabumouse job, even though my secret dream is to be a **WRITER**. Shhh — don't squeak!)



As I was saying, I had been trying to finish my **novel** for eons, but it's not easy to write when you're the captain of a spaceship. Some sort of cosmic chaos is always popping up!



I was feeling fabulously focused on my writing when someone **KNOCKED** on the door of my cabin.

## Galactic Gorgonzola, who could it be?

I turned and saw my cousin Trap, my nephew Benjamin, and his friend Bugsy Wugsy all standing in the doorway.

“Hey, Cousin!” Trap said with a grin. “Why are you sitting here, molding like old



## THE SHATTERMOUSIX

Plutonian provolone? We need to scamper over to **Astral Park** right away!"

I scratched my snout, confused.  
“**WHY?**”

“You mean you don’t know, Uncle?”  
Benjamin squeaked excitedly. “Today a rattastic new ride is opening!”

**Hey, Cousin!**

**Who’s there?**





Bugsy Wugsy piped in. “And we’re going to try it out!”

“You’ll come with us, won’t you, Uncle G?” they both cried at once.

I really wanted to keep writing, but I couldn’t **disappoint** my favorite mouselets!

I nodded and got to my paws. “Oh, all right . . .”

As we scampered toward **Astral Park**, Trap said, “I’m impressed, Cousin—for once, you’re not acting like a cheesebrain! You’ll see, a little adventure will do you good.”

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sharp-as-cheddar curves, and a dozen or so acrobatic tailspins . . .”

# What?!!

Super steep declines?! Sharp-as-cheddar curves?! Acrobatic tailspins?! Oh, for all the galaxies in the universe, my whiskers were trembling in fear!

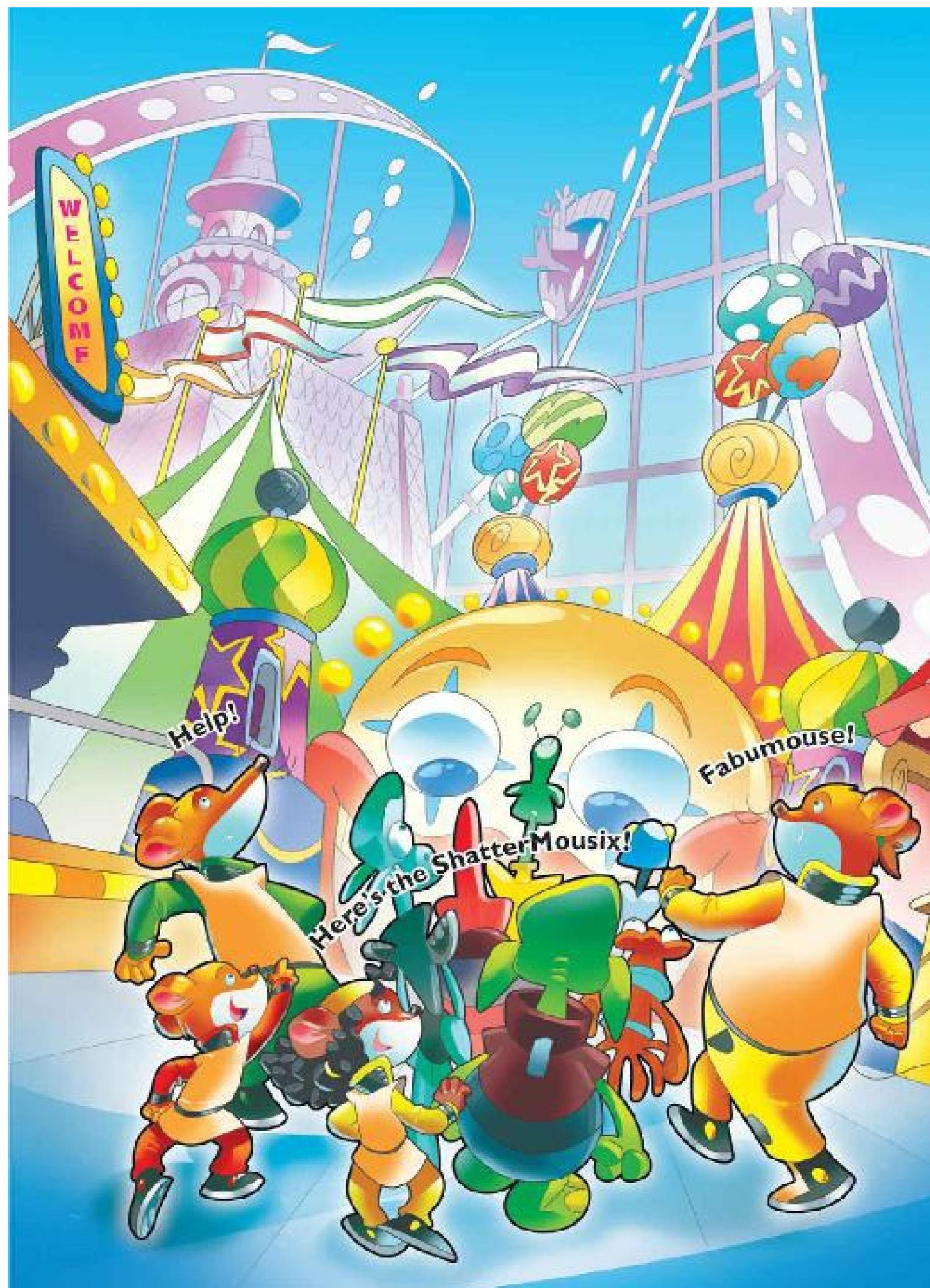
Trap didn’t seem to notice. “We’re going to have so much fun on the **ShatterMousix!**”

The ShatterMousix? **Squeeeeak**—the name alone twisted my tail in knots!

A moment later, I stood in front of a supertall, supersteep, superscary **roller coaster**.

Benjamin smiled. “It’s out of this world, right? I can’t wait to ride it!”

**RIDE IT?** I was frightened out of my fur just looking at it!



WELCOME

Help!

Here's the ShatterMousix!

Fabumouse!



## THE SHATTERMOUSIX

We'd almost reached the front of the line when **HOL0GRAMIX**, *MouseStar 1*'s onboard computer, appeared in front of me.

**\*Code yellow! Code yellow!  
Code yellow!**

Captain, you need to return to the control room at once!"

I couldn't help breathing a sigh of relief. I **was saved!**





# MOVE IT, GERONIMO!

Breathless, I raced to the control room, followed by Trap, Benjamin, and Bugsy Wugsy.

As soon as we entered the room, **Grandfather** huffed, “Took you long enough, Grandson! What were you so busy doing instead of being the **captain** of this ship?”

I stammered, “Hello, Grandfather . . . I . . . Actually . . . Remember I had the afternoon off . . . to write my **book**? And then the ShatterMousix—”

“What are you squeaking





## MOVE IT, GERONIMO!

about, afternoon off? What book? What ShatterMousix? You are the captain of this ship, Geronimo! Anytime there's an **emergency**, you need to get to the control room at once. No, you need to be here **already**! The whole crew is counting on you. Have I made myself clear?"

"Yes," I squeaked, hanging my snout.

**"Good! Now get a move on!  
We have a mystery  
to solve!"**

A mystery? Oh, for all the planets out of orbit, what was my grandfather squeaking about now?

Just then my sister, Thea, called me over. "Geronimo, there's something strange going on. Come look at the radar."

I approached and studied the screen



carefully, but it looked like the usual **INTERSTELLAR SPACE** view to me!

**“I DON’T SEE ANYTHING STRANGE!”**

I admitted.

Grandfather William glared and yelled in a booming voice, “You wouldn’t notice a **meteorite** if it smacked you on the snout!” He enlarged the star quadrant on the screen. “Look again.”

I concentrated and saw a *planet* suddenly appear on the radar. It was sparkling and strangely shaped. It looked almost like . . . a **rock**!

I pointed to the screen. “What’s this? That planet just appeared out of nowhere! Wait a whisker-loving minute—now it’s not there anymore! It **VANISHED!**”

On the radar screen, the planet I’d been pointing my paw at was gone!



## MOVE IT, GERONIMO!

I rubbed my eyes in disbelief. A moment later, the lock-shaped planet reappeared.

**For all the satellites in the solar system,  
Grandfather was right—  
this was a mousetastic mystery!**



1

The mysterious planet  
appeared on the screen.

2

The mysterious planet  
disappeared from the screen.



## PLANET LOCKIX

At that moment, our onboard scientist, Professor **GREENFUR**, entered the control room. He peered at the screen. “Cosmic cheddar, that’s the planet **LOCKIX**! So it does exist!”

What in the universe was he squeaking about? I turned to Thea for an explanation, but she seemed just as **surprised** as me!

“Planet Lockix?” she repeated. “I’ve never heard of it!”

“It disappeared from the galaxy’s radar years ago,” Professor Greenfur explained. “But it has reappeared. That’s



From the *Encyclopedia Galactica*

## PLANET LOCKIX

This planet is located in the Alpha-Clavis constellation. It is shaped like a **CLOSED LOCK**. The planet mysteriously disappeared from radars all over the galaxy five astrocenturies ago. Its inhabitants are called the **Fh-Hems**.



incredible! I had only read about Lockix in astro-geography books—and now here it is, on our own radar. My whiskers are **wobbling**!"

Grandfather William scratched his snout. "The history of this planet is awfully **mysterious**. I want to know more!"

We consulted the *Encyclopedia Galactica*, but the information about Lockix and its inhabitants was awfully vague.



## Strange, very strange!

Benjamin asked, "Why did the planet **disappear**?"

Bugsy Wugsy asked, "Why isn't there a photo of its inhabitants?"

And Trap added, "Why isn't there any information about the aliens' favorite **food**?"

Thea scolded him. "Trap, does this seem like the time to worry about food?"

### From the Encyclopedia Galactica

#### THE EH-HEMS

**Planet of Origin:** Lockix

**Traits:** These aliens are extremely reserved.

They are very small and are known for their lack of physical strength, their dubious nature, and their resourcefulness.





“It’s as good a time as any!” my cousin answered, munching on a chunk of **Martian mozzarella cheese** that he’d found in a drawer of the control room.

I held up a paw. “This situation is complicated. We need to understand what’s happening on Lockix, and the *Encyclopediæ Galactica* doesn’t have much helpful information.”

Meanwhile, the mysterious planet kept **appearing** and **DISAPPEARING** from our radar screen.

Grandfather William looked at the radar, then at Greenfur, and then at me . . .

Cosmic cheesy chews, I recognized that



look on his face—it meant **out-of-this-world trouble** on the horizon!

Just as I suspected, Grandfather announced, "Grandson, we're facing a **MYSTERY** of enormous proportions—and you need to organize an expedition to solve it!"

**LEAPING LIGHT-YEARS!  
WHY DO THESE THINGS  
ALWAYS HAPPEN TO ME?**



## THE CATCHIX

In the control room, everyone was enthusiastic about taking an expedition to the disappearing planet—everyone except me! I couldn't help it; I was flooded with fear . . .

What if we fell into a **BLACK HOLE**? Or ended up in the middle of a **magnetic storm**? Or ran into **PiRATE sPACECATS** on Lockix?

Thea looked up from the radar and interrupted my thoughts. “Geronimo, we have a problem! Lockix is disappearing and reappearing on the radar screen so quickly that I can't get its **COORDINATES** to map out a route.”

For all the lunar cheese, had I understood



her right? It was impossible to map out a **route** to Lockix? Stellar Swiss balls . . . what fabumouse news!

I was about to breathe a sigh of relief when Greenfur squeaked up. “Don’t worry, I have a solution! I’ll go get my latest **INVENTION**.”

**Reata!** For a nanosecond there, I’d thought that I would be able to go back to writing in my cabin!

Greenfur scampered off to his **LABORATORY** and returned with a strange contraption. “This is the **catchix**, a frequency catcher.”

We must have looked cosmically confused, because he continued, “Thanks to a strong **radar signal**





calculations system, this device computes all the false data and multiplies it by the frequency of the signal. Adding the cosmic *umm...* constant will give a perfect result!"



### STINKY SPACE CHEESE . . . WHAT?

But Thea seemed to understand perfectly. "You're full of surprises, Professor! Can you explain how we use it?"

Greenfur smiled **PROUDLY**. "It's enormously easy! Just stick the catchix's suction cup to the radar screen. In a few astroseconds, it will capture the exact **POSITION** of the planet!"

Professor Greenfur activated the device, which let out a sequence of sounds.



# Beep! Beeep! Beeeeeep!

After a few moments, the professor proudly announced, “There, it’s done!”

Lockix’s coordinates had **APPEARED** on the monitor!

Grandfather William nodded, satisfied. “Thea, warm up the **EXPLORATION SHUTTLE’S** motors. Get ready to leave in two shakes of a mouse’s tail!”



# MISSION INVISIBLE PLANET!

“Uncle, you’re going to the **Invisible planet**!” Benjamin exclaimed. “That’s rattastic! Can I come?”

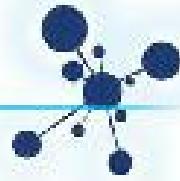
Bugsy Wugsy joined in. “I want to come, too—we could do a **PROJECT** about this mysterious planet! Maybe we could even help update the information in the *Encyclopedia Galactica*.”

Both mouselets peered up at me hopefully.

**Leaping light-years!  
How could I say no?**

I threw my paws in the air. “Oh, all right—you can come! But promise me

## MISSION INVISIBLE PLANET!



you'll be careful. Unexplored planets can be danger—”

I didn't finish my sentence because just then **Sally de Wrench**, our official onboard mechanic, appeared! (She was the most fascinating rodent on **MouseStar 1**, paws down.)

“Fabumouse timing, Sally!” Trap cheered. “You're just the **EXPERT** rodent to help us on our mission!”

Sally!

Captain!





## MISSION INVISIBLE PLANET!

Being around Sally made me turn red from the ends of my ears to the tip of my tail.

Sally smiled at me. “Hello, Captain! Was there something you wanted to tell me?”

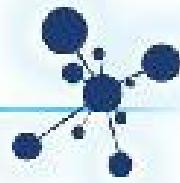
I felt my knees **wobble** like sonic string cheese, but I tried to get a grip. “N-no, my m-mission—I mean, the in-invisible planet—I mean—”

What can I say? I feel like I’m bouncing through an **asteroid belt** every time I see Sally . . . and I end up making a fool of myself!

Finally, I took a deep breath and said, “The shuttle motors are up and running. It’s time for us to leave for the **invisible planet!**”

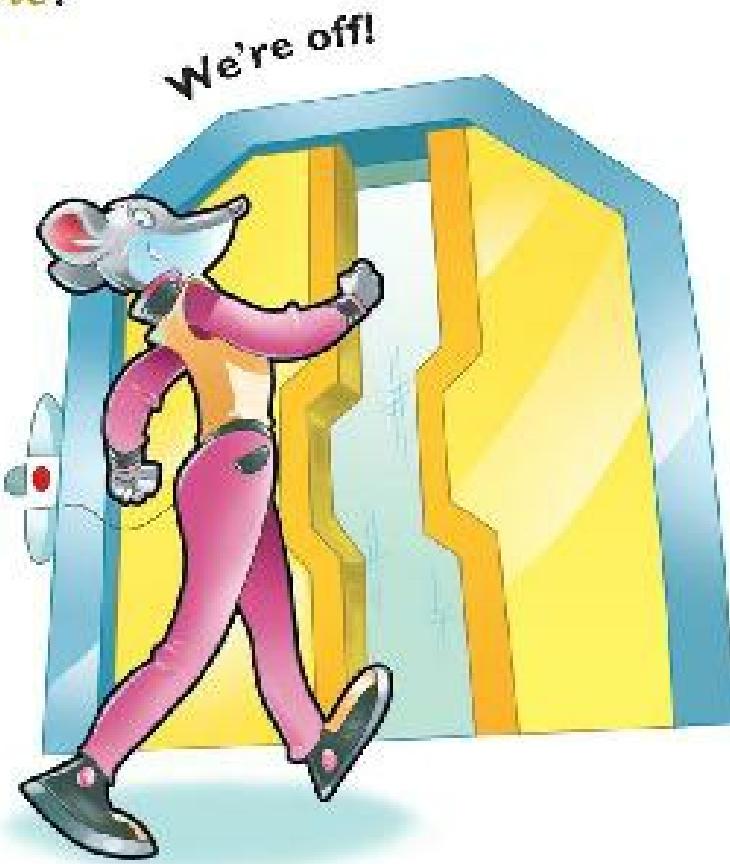
We headed for the shuttle as fast as our paws would carry us! Everyone chatted **enthusiastically**, but I couldn’t

## MISSION INVISIBLE PLANET!



help moving a bit more slowly than the others.

I don't know why, but I had the terrible feeling that we were headed for a *galaxy of trouble!*





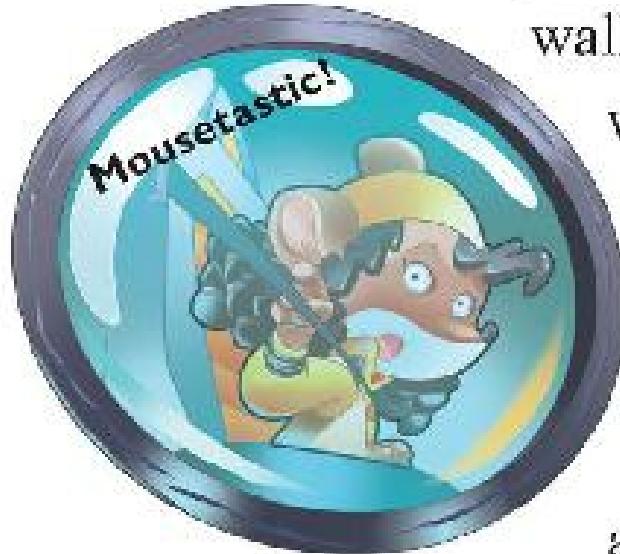
# SOMETHING'S MISSING . . .

After traveling for a **galactic hour**, we entered the orbit of the invisible planet.

**"Here we are — Lockix!"** Thea squeaked.

As my sister steered us toward the surface, we admired the landscape through the shuttle windows. There were ultramodern buildings, roads, squares, elevated walkways—and everything was shaped like a key, a lock, a keyhole, or a safe!

Bugsy Wugsy's eyes were wide. "Stellar Swiss balls—I've **never** seen any place like this!"





"Uncle, I'm so happy we came!" Benjamin squeaked, tugging on my sleeve. "Look down there—an enormous **galactic space park** shaped like a key!"

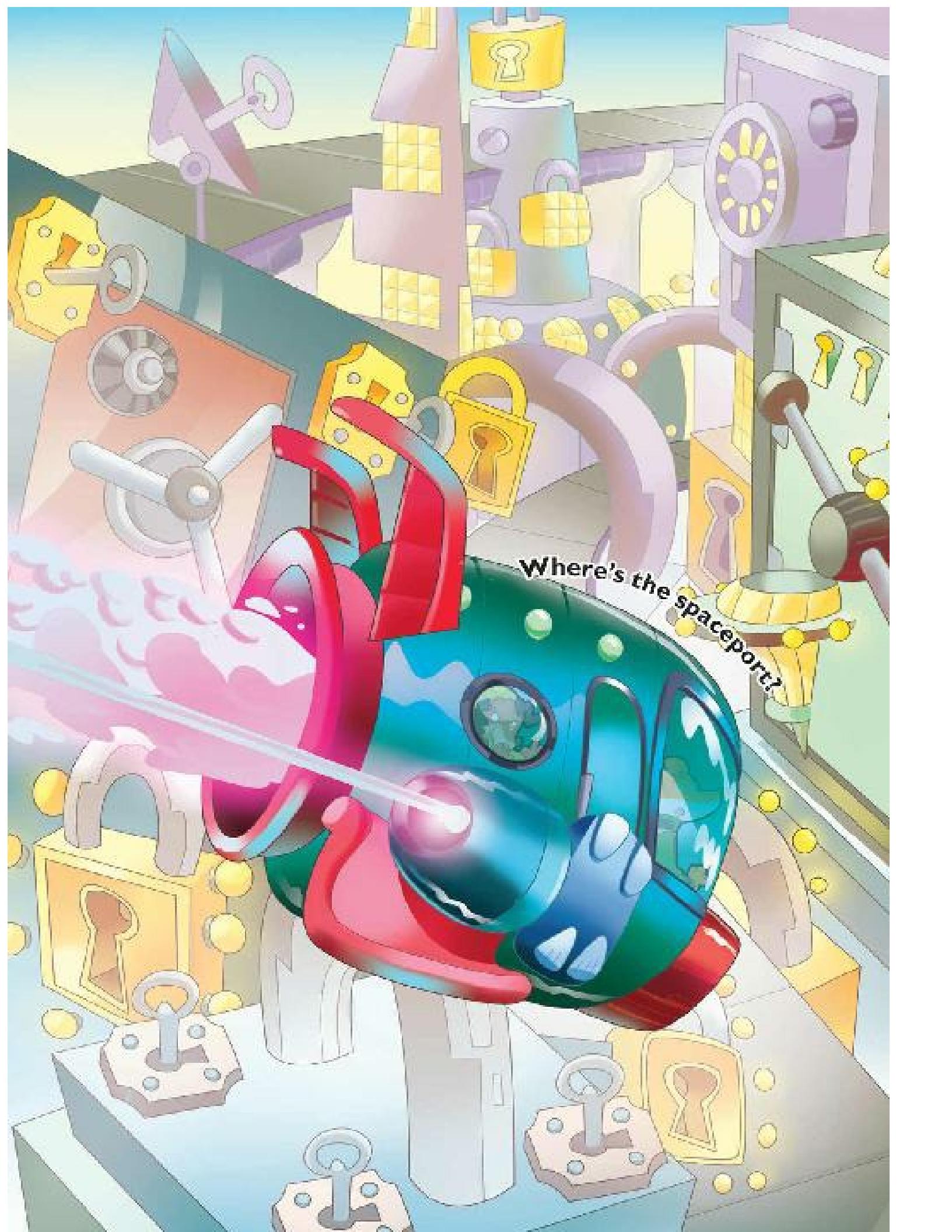
Bugsy Wugsy added, "This planet looks like it has everything a rodent could want."

"*Something's missing*," Thea muttered quietly.

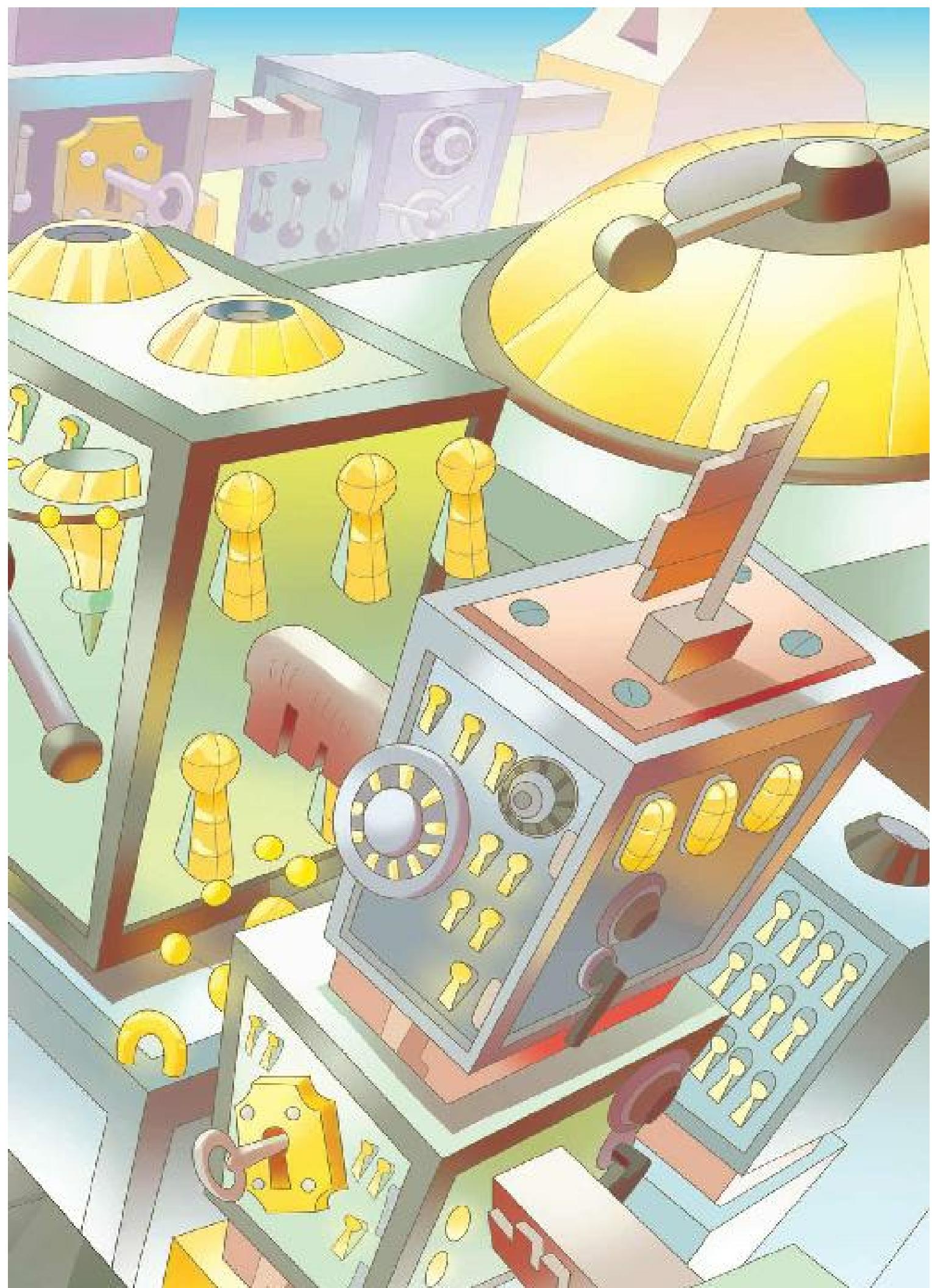
Trap rolled his eyes. "What are you squeaking about, Cousin? This place has everything! I can't wait to land!"

I looked down at the surface of Lockix, then over at Thea. There didn't seem to be anywhere to land. I peered at the planet again and asked, "**WHERE'S THE SPACEPORT?**"

My sister shook her snout. "**Exactly**, Geronimo! I've looked everywhere—there isn't one!"



Where's the spaceport?





## SOMETHING'S MISSING . . .

We circled the planet over and over. There didn't seem to be anywhere to land!

**Swiss supernovas!** How could there not be a single **spaceport** on Lockix? And how in the galaxy would we get down there?



## AN ACROBATIC LANDING!

Thea continued flying over Lockix, looking for a safe place to land, but it was more difficult than tracking down rare Martian mozzarella! First, Thea **steered** us to the right to avoid a lit-up building. Then she **PULLED** the shuttle upward and turned left to **avoid** a satellite dish.

*Hold on!*

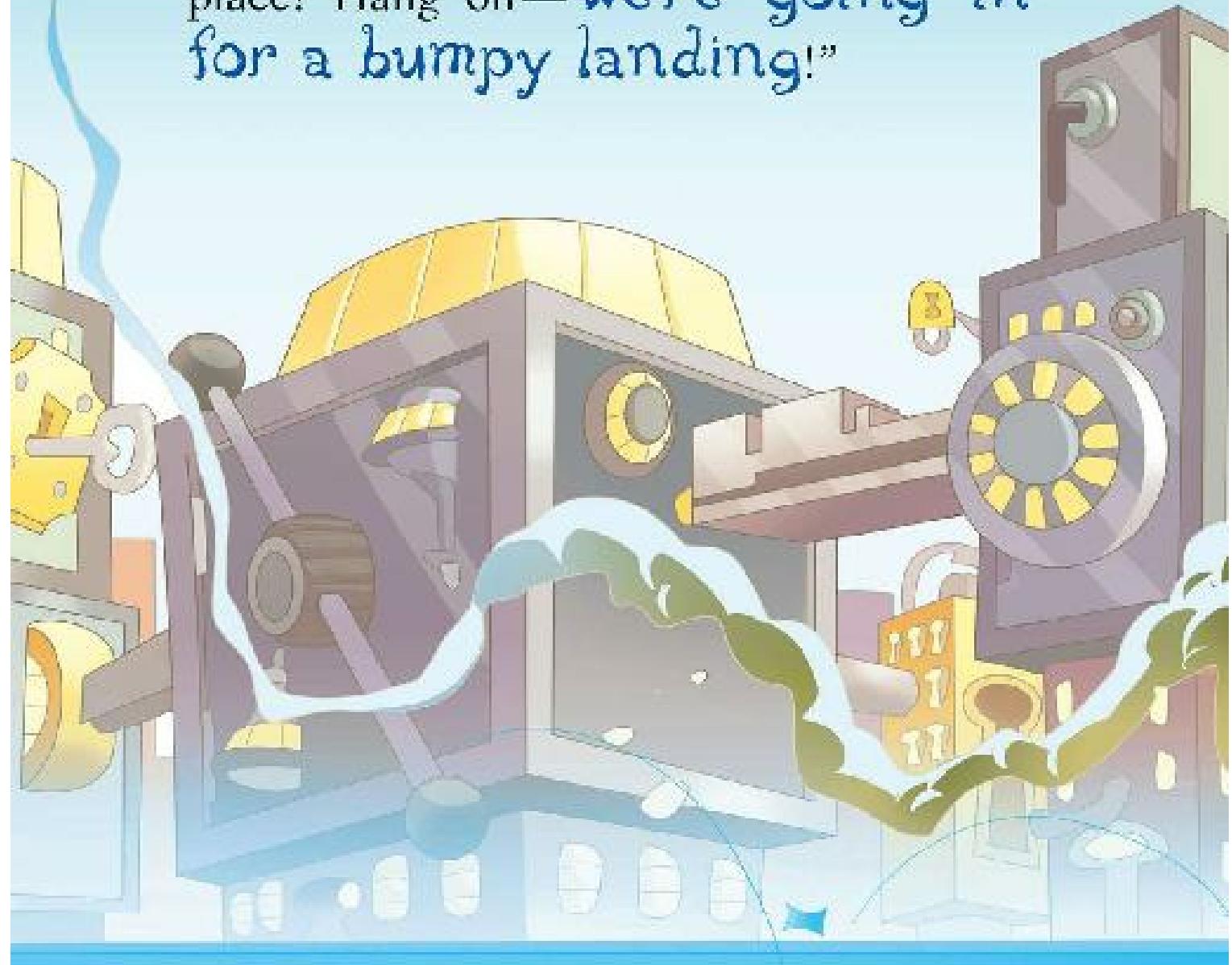
Holey craters,  
I think I would  
have preferred  
to ride on the  
**ShatterMousix!**  
I grabbed my seat  
belt with both paws



and tried not to toss my cheese.

Benjamin and Bugsy Wugsy, on the other paw, were having a blast. “**Yahoo!**  
**Mouserific!**”

Finally, Thea squeaked, “I found just the place! Hang on—**we’re going in for a bumpy landing!**”



The ship **DESCENDED QUICKLY** toward a large square, and Thea maneuvered us expertly.

I squeezed my eyes shut, and . . .

**Bam!**

I heard a bang, jumped in my seat, and then . . . silence.

**RAT-MUNCHING ROBOTS!  
WHAT HAD HAPPENED?**





## AN ACROBATIC LANDING!

I opened my eyes slowly, and . . . cosmic cheese chunks, we had landed *safely* and **sound** in the center of the big square!

We climbed off the space shuttle and looked around in **amazement**. It definitely seemed like the first time in many **cosmic eons** that someone new had landed on Lockix.

*But where are the inhabitants?*



## AN ACROBATIC LANDING!

"This is so exciting!" Benjamin said. "No **SPACEMICE** have ever visited this planet! I can't wait to meet its inhabitants."

I scratched my snout. "Yes, but . . . where are its **inhabitants**?"

Just then we heard a noise behind us. We spun on our paws and . . .

"It looks like someone's coming to





## AN ACROBATIC LANDING!

welcome us!" Trap whispered loudly.

Sure enough, a group was approaching us, but these **aliens** were not what we had imagined . . .

The *Encyclopediа Galactiса* had said that the **Eh-Hems** were tiny and reserved, but the creatures coming toward us were enormous, noisy deceptioids. There must have been some kind of **MISTAKE!**



## Who Are You?

One of the aliens stopped a few steps from me. He sneered and showed his teeth. Black holey cheese, he smelled like one of the *cosmic algae* concoctions that Squizzy, our onboard cook, often whipped up!

“Foreigners!” he said. “Who are you, and what brings you to our tiny *planet*?”

At those words, the smell of *galactic garlic* and Martian mushrooms mixed with Trap’s dirty socks hit me. Cosmic cheese chunks, it took my breath away!

I took a deep breath and gathered myself. “We are the **Spacemice**, and





## WHO ARE YOU?

I am Geronimo Stiltonix, captain of the *MouseStar 1*. We noticed that your planet was appearing and disappearing from our **radar**, so we have come to help you!"

The alien snickered. "Help us? I am Claw, the captain of the Uh-Huhs—no, wait—what is it we call ourselves?" Another alien **WHISPERED** something in his ear. "Ah, yes, I meant to say the Eh-Hems! That's us!"

The group of aliens at Claw's back began to **giggle** and jab one another with their elbows.

### **Strange, very strange!**

We spacemice all looked at one another in confusion, but Claw went on. "We have been living on this planet for **astrocenturies** . . . for galactic eras . . . Well, since forever!"

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## WHO ARE YOU?



The group of aliens held back more LAUGHTER.

Claw concluded, "We are so sorry that you interfered—uh, I mean, worried about us and our planet."





## WHO ARE YOU?

STRANGE, VERY STRANGE!

My friends pulled me aside. Thea was very suspicious. "How is it possible that they don't know the **NAME** of their own species?"

Sally nodded her head in agreement. "The *Encyclopedia Galactica* said that they were **TIMID AND SHY**."

"They seem to be the **OPPOSITE** of timid and shy!" Trap scoffed.

Was it possible that, for the first time ever, the *Encyclopedia Galactica* was **wrong**?



## WEAK AND DEFENSELESS!

We were still unsure of what to do with the **MYSTERIOUS** aliens. Suddenly, Thea squeaked, “I’ve got it! We can call Hologramix and ask it to double-check the *Encyclopedia Galactica*! There must be an explanation in there somewhere.”

“That’s a great idea,” I said, nodding.  
“Activate wrist communic—”

But before I could finish, Claw waved his paws in the air.

“Stop!  
Halt!  
Freeze!”





## WEAK AND DEFENSELESS!

Holey craters, what now?

Claw went on with a smile. "You can't call your **SPACESHIP**. Communication with outside planets or vehicles is strictly prohibited on our planet!"

*mousey meteors!*

Thea narrowed her eyes. "Why, exactly, is it **forbidden**?"

"Well, outer space is full of traps, dangers, and space pirates," explained Claw. "They could find us by **intercepting** just one communication! We are so . . . um . . . weak and defenseless . . ."

**Galactic Gorgonzola, had he said defenseless?**

These aliens seemed anything but defenseless to me!

Claw's friends began to chuckle again, but he gave them a look. "It's for our own



protection that we've kept our planet **INVISIBLE** all this time."

"How exactly did you do it?" Sally asked. The alien grinned. "Easy! We used a **PLANETARY INVISIBILITY SYSTEM** to keep ourselves hidden from galactic radar. It's been flawless . . . until today!"

Sally's eyes sparkled with curiosity. "Holey craters, I would love to see it. What **MOUSERIFIC** technology!"

The alien sighed. "Yeah, it was a superrefined technology, but now the system is **broken**! That's why the planet appeared on your radar. And without the Planetary Invisibility System, we're doomed to be **invaded** by some evil passersby before long."





## WEAK AND DEFENSELESS!

Cosmic cheese rays, how **terrible**!  
But I couldn't help wondering . . . Why  
were all the other deceptiods sneering even  
more now?

## STRANGE, VERY STRANGE!

Claw smiled sweetly. "By any chance,  
would you spacemice be able to help us?"

"Yes, well, um—what would we have to  
do?" I asked.



"We could use your  
help repairing our  
Planetary Invisibility  
System," Claw said.

"You seem to  
have a lot of  
resources, while  
we are just **weak**  
and **DEFENSELESS**  
aliens. If we



don't fix the system soon, who knows what will attack us?"

All the other deceptiods nodded in agreement, still **GIGGLING**.

Oh, for all the lunar cheese, what could I say?



## A TRUE CAPTAIN

As I thought, I remembered the words that Grandfather William had repeated during my first days as **captain**:

- 1 A true captain never backs away from a space mystery!
- 2 A true captain always offers to help aliens in trouble!
- 3 A true captain always knows the right thing to do!

So I took a deep breath and said, “Of course we’ll help! Sally, our supersmart mechanic, will surely be able to **fix** your Planetary Invisibility System.”

Sally smiled at me. “Thanks, Captain!”

I turned as red as **spaghetti sauce** from Saturn while Sally looked back at the aliens.



“Take me to your Planetary Invisibility System, and I'll figure it out!”

The **DECEPTI***ODS* peered at one another for a moment. “We . . . umm . . . well . . . We don't know where it is.”



Cosmic cheese rays, did I hear that right? The inhabitants of **LOCKIX** didn't know where their own Planetary Invisibility System was?

“The Planetary Invisibility System is hidden,” Claw explained hastily. “It's secret! Unreachable! For reasons of . . .

**INTERPLANETARY SECURITY.**”

This explanation smelled funnier than *space cheese!*

“Only our technician knows where it is,”

Claw continued. "But he's . . . absent at the moment."

Thea twirled her whiskers. "**Absent?**"

One deceptiod responded, "That's right! He's exploring a satellite **biosphere**!"

Another yelled, "He's studying the paths of **MASSIVE METEORITES**!"

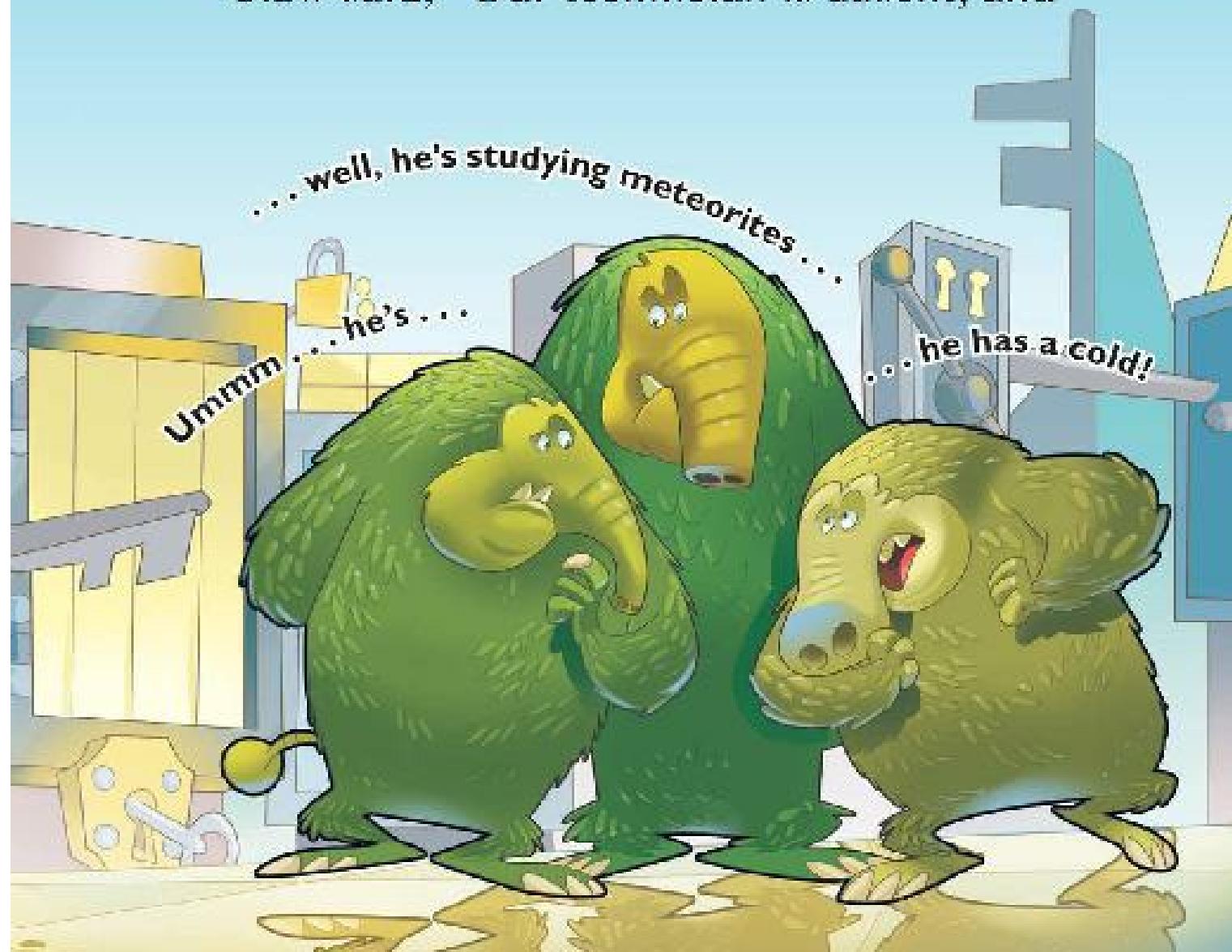


And another chimed in, "He has a lunar cold!"

Oh, for all the planets out of orbit — they had each said something completely different!

*Strange! Enormously strange!*

Claw said, "Our technician is absent, and





## A TRUE CAPTAIN

all we have is the **instruction manual** for the Planetary Invisibility System. There should be a map in the manual that shows how to reach the system, but we can't figure it out."

"Bring me the manual," Sally suggested.  
"Maybe I can decipher it!"

Claw clapped her on the shoulder.  
"Thanks! You are truly a bunch of foo—um,  
**SUPER SWEET HEROES!**"

He sent one of the deceptiods to get the manual, and Thea pulled me aside.  
"Geronimo, doesn't this seem **strange**? These aliens don't know the name of their own species, they're completely different from the way they were described in the *Encyclopedia Galactica*, and they don't have a cheesecrumb of a clue where their **PLANETARY INVISIBILITY SYSTEM** is. What in the galaxy is going on here?"



I couldn't shake the feeling that we were missing some very important **information**. "You're right, Thea, but these aliens really seem to be in trouble. Plus, I gave them my word as captain—I can't take it back now!"

My sister nodded. "All right, but let's stay alert. This seems like a fur-brained scheme to me!"

I had a feeling that **GALACTIC TROUBLES** were on the horizon . . .



# THE PLANETARY INVISIBILITY SYSTEM

The deceptioids returned after a few minutes, carrying an **ELECTRONIC MANUAL** that looked like a tablet.

One of them shrugged. “See? There are so many **BUTTONS**! Without our technician, we can’t seem to get it open.”

Sally had already gotten to work. In no time, she *unlocked* the manual and began to scroll through its contents. Cheesy comets, what a brilliant mouse!

When she finished reading, she said, “This is just a simple instruction manual. There’s a map that shows how to get to the Planetary Invisibility System, see? It even indicates

## THE PLANETARY INVISIBILITY SYSTEM



which **antitheft** devices are activated along the way."

**"Antitheft? I hope they aren't d-d-dangerous!"** I squeaked, shivering.

Claw took me under his arm. "Don't be scared—we'll go with you! Surely you'll need the guidance of us Scal—I mean, us **Eh-Hems!**"





## THE PLANETARY INVISIBILITY SYSTEM

He put his other arm around Sally's shoulders and led us down the path mapped out in the **manual**.

Before long, we arrived in front of a small building. When we set paw inside, we found ourselves standing before a mysterious **TUNNEL**.

One of the deceptioids snickered. "Please, guests first!"

I gathered my courage and stepped forward, just as Sally yelled, "Captain, wait!"

# WHOOOOSH!

A gust of wind tickled my fur.

"What's happening?" I squeaked in alarm. I took a few steps farther, and—

# SWISH WHOOOOSH!

Another gust of  
wind sent me flying  
through the air!

**SWOOSH  
SWISH  
WHOOOSH!**

Cosmic cream puffs,  
I was struck by a real  
*windsterk*! Now I  
couldn't go forward at  
all, not even a whisker-  
length!

Trap grabbed me by  
the ear and ordered,  
**"COUSIN, GET  
DOWN!"**

Sally came forward,  
yelling, "Captain, this





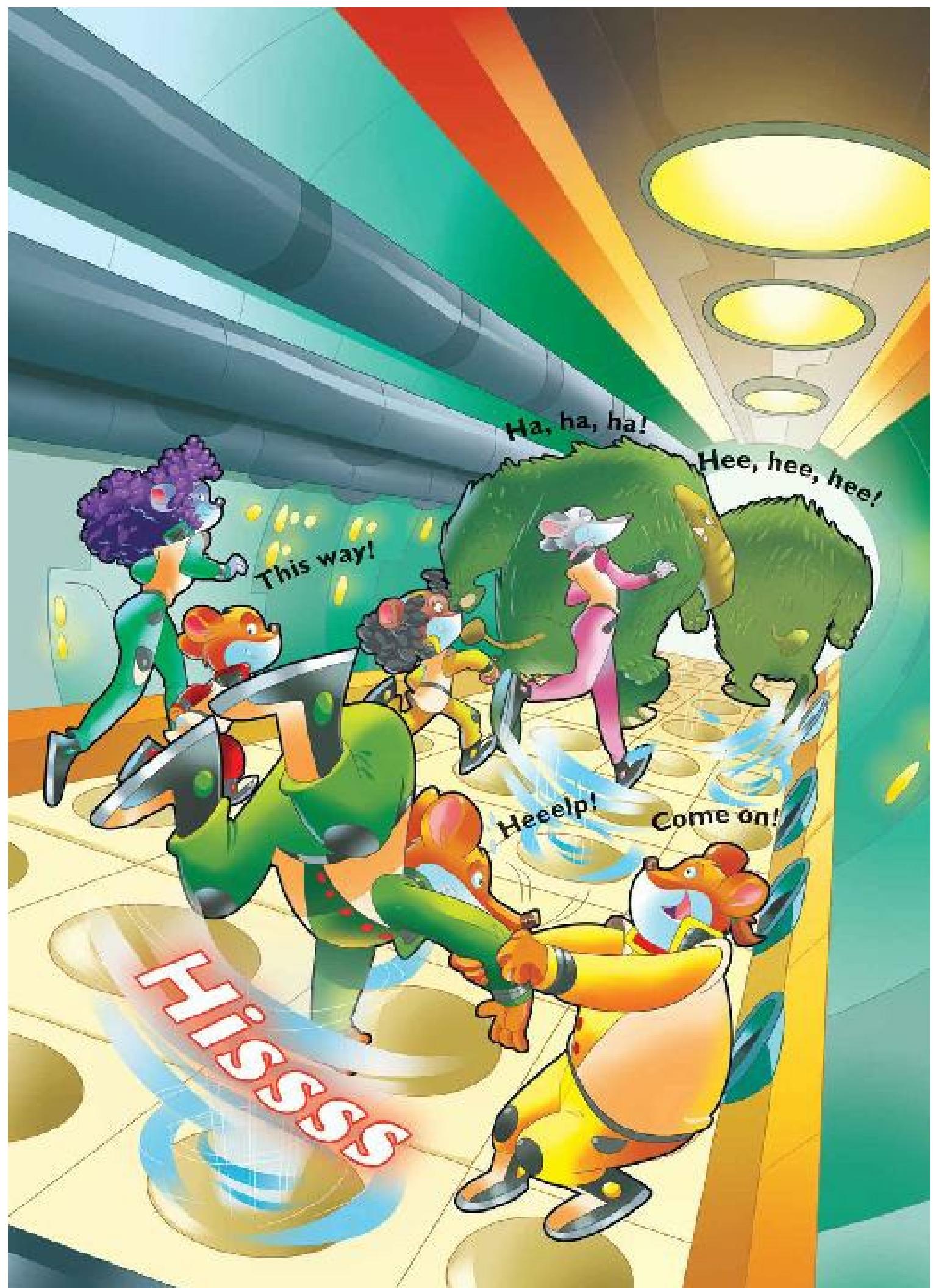
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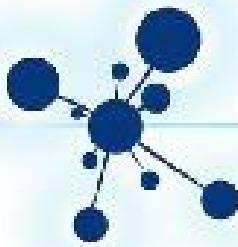
is the first **antitheft device!** It's an air-activated floor. You need to **DODGE** the airbursts to move forward!"

I knew one thing—this wasn't going to be easy!

Thanks to their size, the aliens could move forward easily, and my fellow spacemice **dodged** the airbursts fabumously. With Trap's help, I finally managed to reach the end of the tunnel. My fur stood on end.

*I had made such a terrible impression!*





## RUN, CAPTAIN!

We continued on our way and eventually arrived at the entrance to a room with a floor **curved** like a frying pan.

“This is strange,” I muttered.

I didn’t have time to say more because Claw pushed me forward with his tail and boomed, “Proceed, mouseoid! You go first!”

I tumbled forward and noticed that the walls were **curved**, too! The chairs, desks, and other furniture were all nailed to the ground.

**S T R A N G E , V E R Y S T R A N G E !**

I entered the room and tried to take a few steps, but—squeak! It was **cosmically complicated!**

Now, I’m not a very sporty mouse, but I

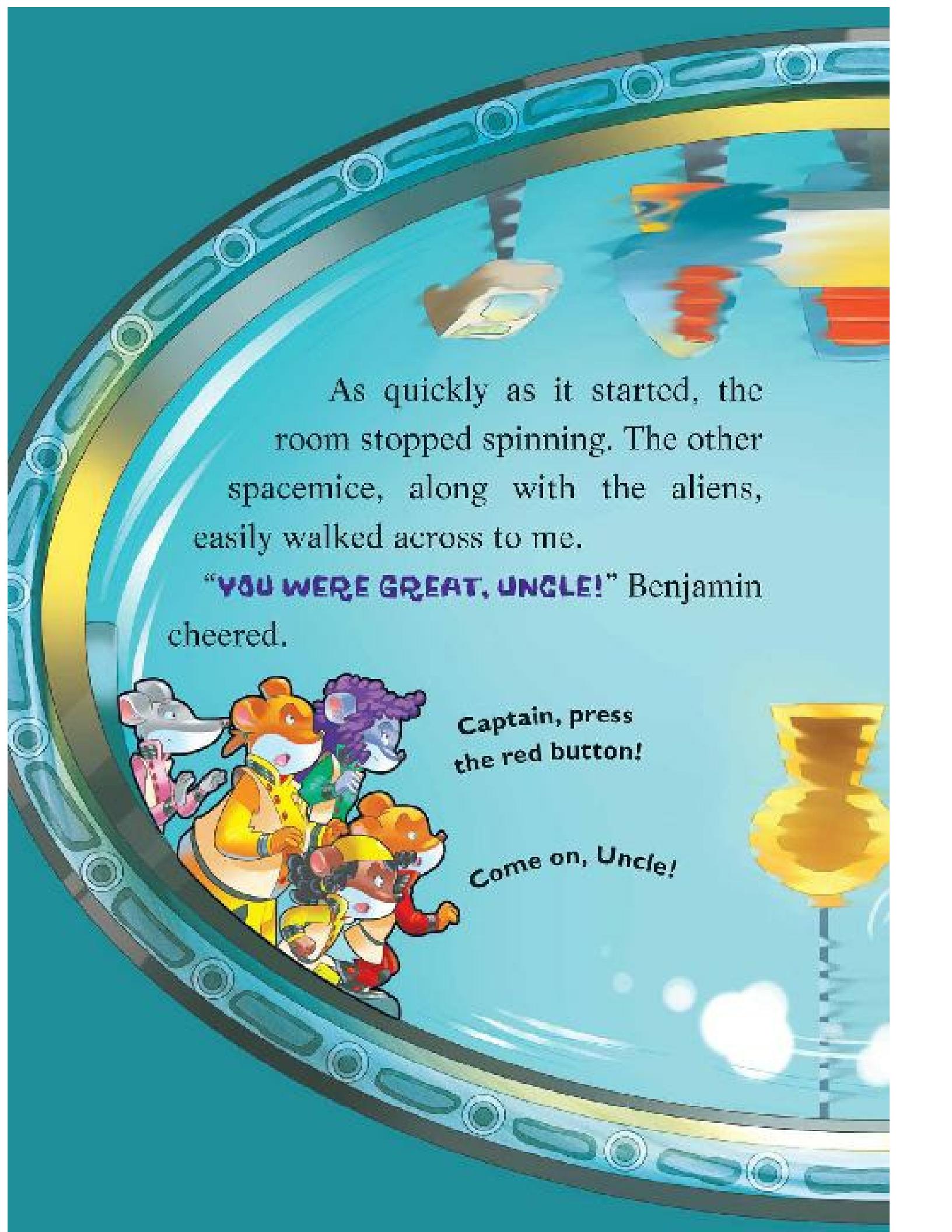


really couldn't manage to move my paws forward at all! How **MYSTERIHOUSE** . . .

Suddenly, I noticed that the ground was no longer beneath my paws—it was slowly moving upward! Black holey cheese! The room began to **roll faster, and faster, and faster**. It felt like I was inside a supersonic washing machine! **HEEEELPI**

Sally squeaked out, “This is the **SECOND antitheft device**! It’s a reverse spin-cycle room. Captain, to stop it, you need to press the red button on the wall!”

I was **SCARED** out of my fur, but I knew I had to follow Sally’s directions. I began to **RUN** like an athlete in the Great Galactic Games, as fast as my paws could take me. With a lot of effort (and even more **SWEAT**!), I finally managed to press the button.



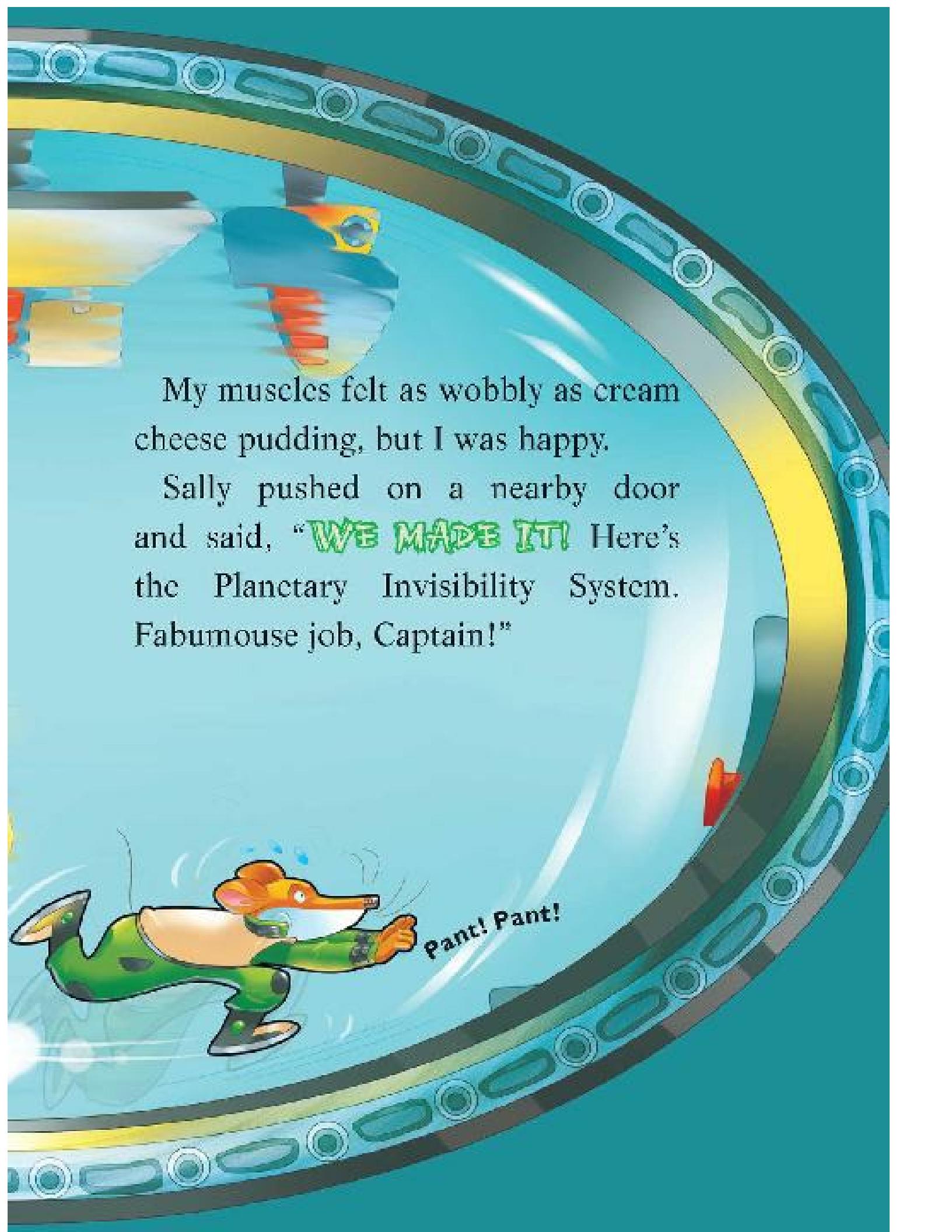
As quickly as it started, the room stopped spinning. The other spacemice, along with the aliens, easily walked across to me.

**"YOU WERE GREAT, UNCLE!"** Benjamin cheered.



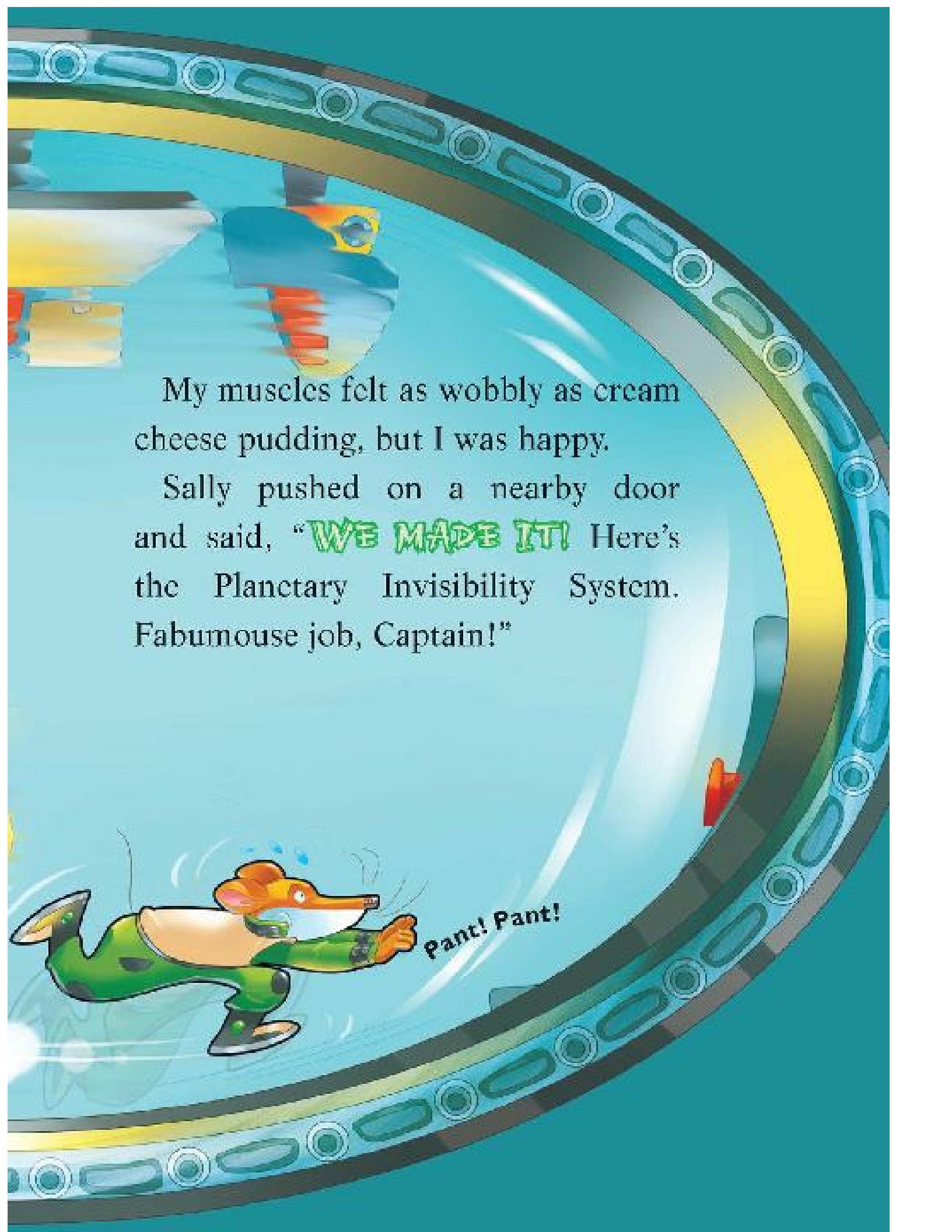
Captain, press  
the red button!

Come on, Uncle!



My muscles felt as wobbly as cream cheese pudding, but I was happy.

Sally pushed on a nearby door and said, "**WE MADE IT!** Here's the Planetary Invisibility System. Fabumouse job, Captain!"



Pant! Pant!



# WHAT AN EXTRAORDINARY RODENT!

The door led into a laboratory. In the middle of the room was an enormous computer surrounded by a **huge tangle** of wires.

Sally walked up to the computer and carefully analyzed it.

“I have **mousetastic news!**” she said. “I know this system—I studied it at the Plutotechnic University of Ultraphysics and Galactic Mechanics! It’s based on a voice-generator model.”

Claw smirked. “It doesn’t seem like it has much of a voice to me. This thing is quieter than a **BLACK HOLE!**”

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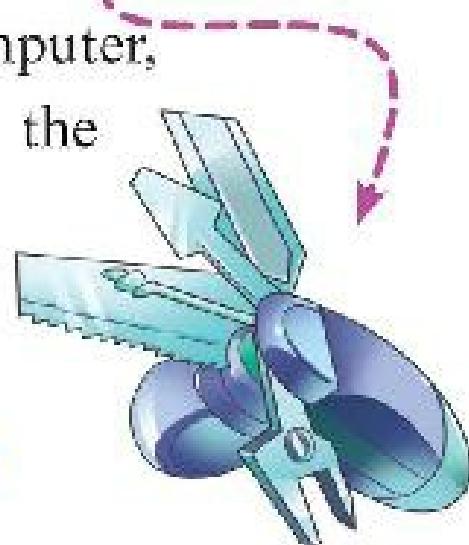
All of the deceptiods **laughed** loudly.

Sally thought for a moment. "Usually, voice systems are really big chatterboxes. If yours is quiet, it's only because . . . it's been jammed!"

"**JAMMED?**" the aliens said. They were suddenly interested.

"Exactly—the system went into overdrive and then turned off," Sally explained. "But it's functioning. You just need a quick **reboot** to make it talk like before!" Sally grabbed her **multifunctional pocket tool** and began working on the computer, jumping from one side of the enormous machine to the other.

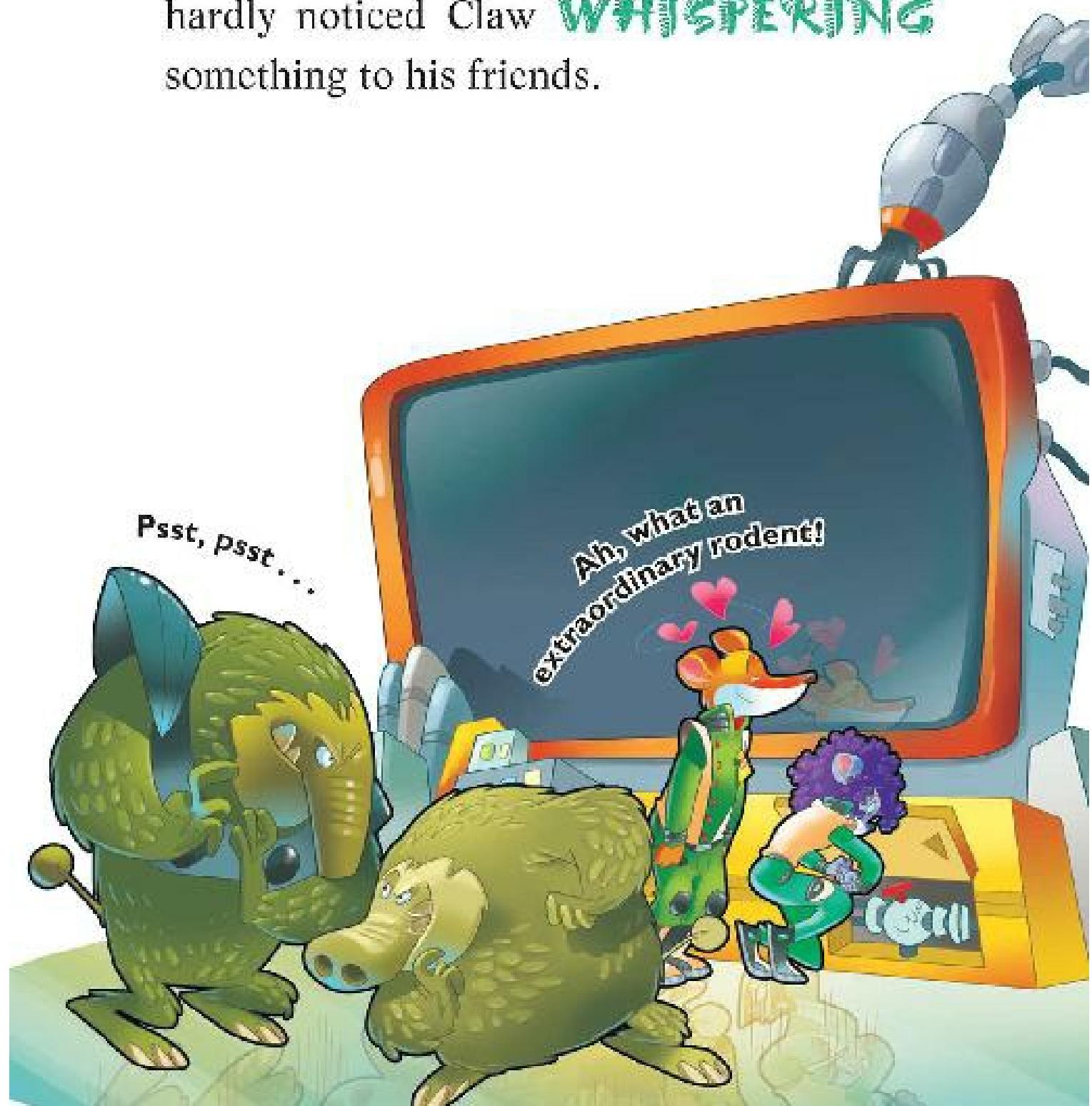
**Leaping light-years,  
what an extraordinary  
rodent!**





## WHAT AN EXTRAORDINARY RODENT!

My crush on Sally was growing! I have to admit, I was watching her so closely that I hardly noticed Claw **WHISPERING** something to his friends.



## WHAT AN EXTRAORDINARY RODENT!



Suddenly, a noise snapped me out of my trance—

**Bip! Bipp! Biiiiip!**

The supercomputer let out a sequence of sounds and then lit up like a **CLUSTER OF STARS!**

Galactic Gorgonzola, Sally had done it! “**HOORAY!**” Bugsy Wugsy cheered. “That was marvemous! I want to become a mechanic just like you, Sally.”

I was proud of Sally and smiled shyly at her. She smiled back, which made me melt like cosmic cheddar too close to the sun.

**Cheesy comets, what a mouse!**

I was twisting my tail into knots when a voice **BOOMED** over the loudspeakers.



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“Good morning and welcome to Lockix, spacemice friends!”

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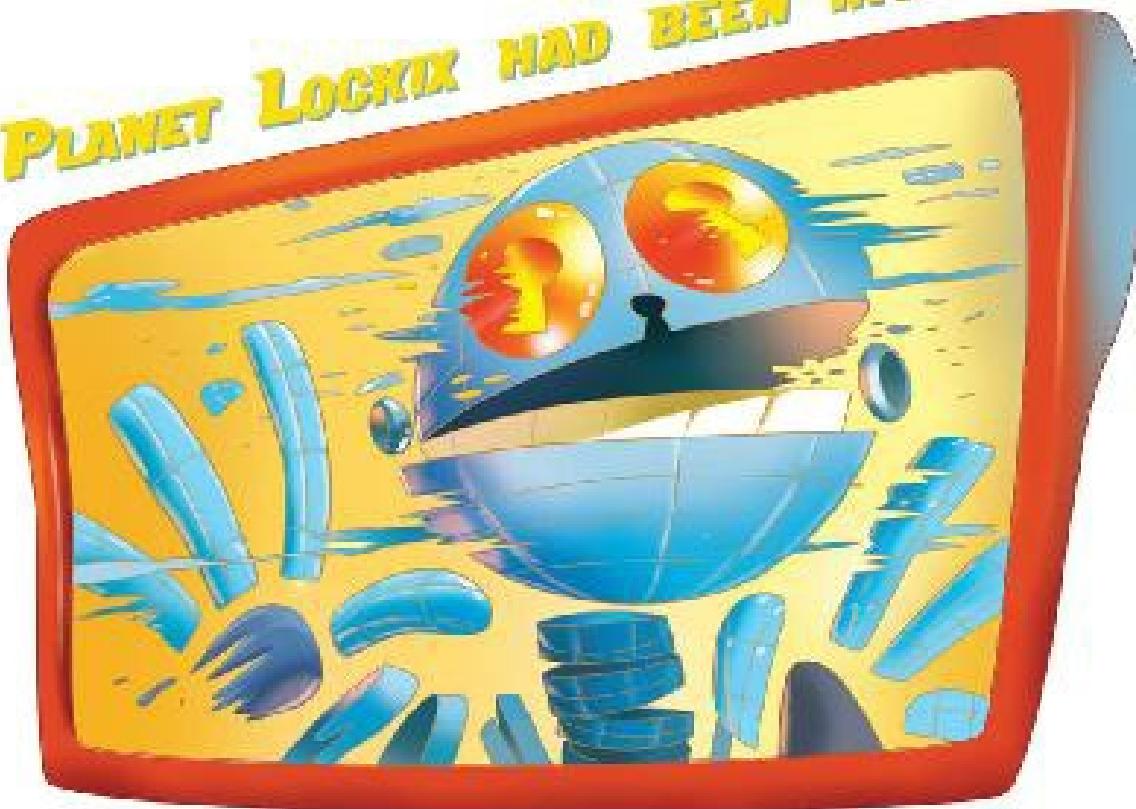


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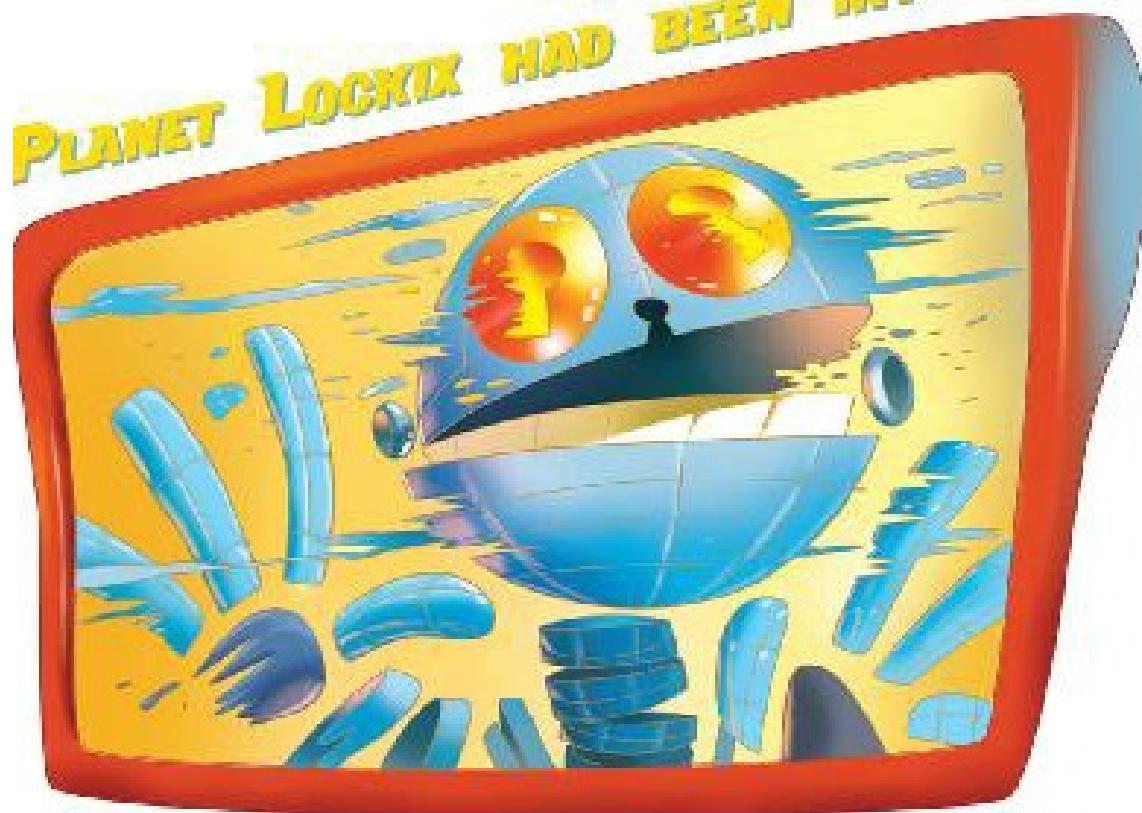


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## A GALAXY OF TROUBLE!

The Scaleers **surrounded** us, but Thea stood up tall. “I knew you were hiding something!”

Claw stepped proudly forward and began to **SNICKER**. “Well, yes, we aren’t the ha, ha . . . I mean the hee, hee . . . you know, the ho, ho . . . Basically, we aren’t the real inhabitants of this silly little planet!” He sharpened his nails. “We are the **Scaleers**, the most ferocious, most clever, and most dangerous space pirates in the whole universe. Thanks to the malfunctioning **PLANETARY INVISIBILITY SYSTEM** here, it was easy for us to land and take



over Planet Lockix! And now, thanks to you Spacemice, we can make sure no other mice find this place again. It's ours!"

We were dealing with some real **cosmic creeps!**

Sally narrowed her eyes. "Why were you so interested in Lockix?"

Claw chuckled. "We need a base for our

### From the Encyclopedia Galactica

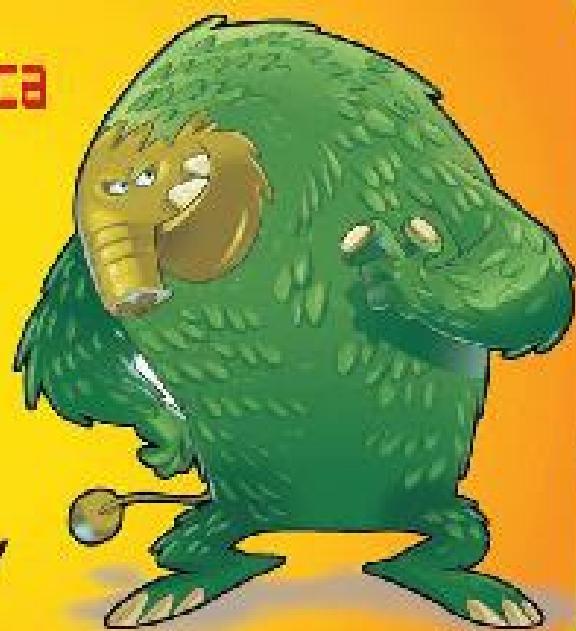
#### THE SCALPEARS

**Planet of origin:** Slimedox

**Profession:** Space pirates

**Traits:** Aggressive, ferocious, and love to snicker

**Motto:** "You can tell a good day by its spoils!"





## A GALAXY OF TROUBLE!

**RAIDS**, and this planet is perfect for that. We can hide our stolen loot on Lockix, and no one will be able to find it! Who would ever think to look on an **invisible Planet**?"

The other Scaleers burst into rowdy applause. However, Thea wasn't intimidated. "You're just a gang of **space scoundrels!** You won't get away with this!"



Claw looked at her with a wicked smile on his scaly face. "Oh, you **galactic fools!** Just what do you think you're going to do about it? No one will be able to come rescue you, thanks to your help with the Planetary Invisibility System . . ."



## Stellar Swiss balls, the Scalleer captain was right!

We had helped a gang of space scoundrels, and now we were their prisoners. We were in a **GALAXY OF TROUBLE!**



## TRAPPED!

Suddenly, something occurred to me.

**"WH-WHAT H-H-HAPPENED TO THE R-R-REAL  
INHABITANTS OF L-LOCKIN?"** I stammered.

"That is a very interesting question, indeed," Claw said.

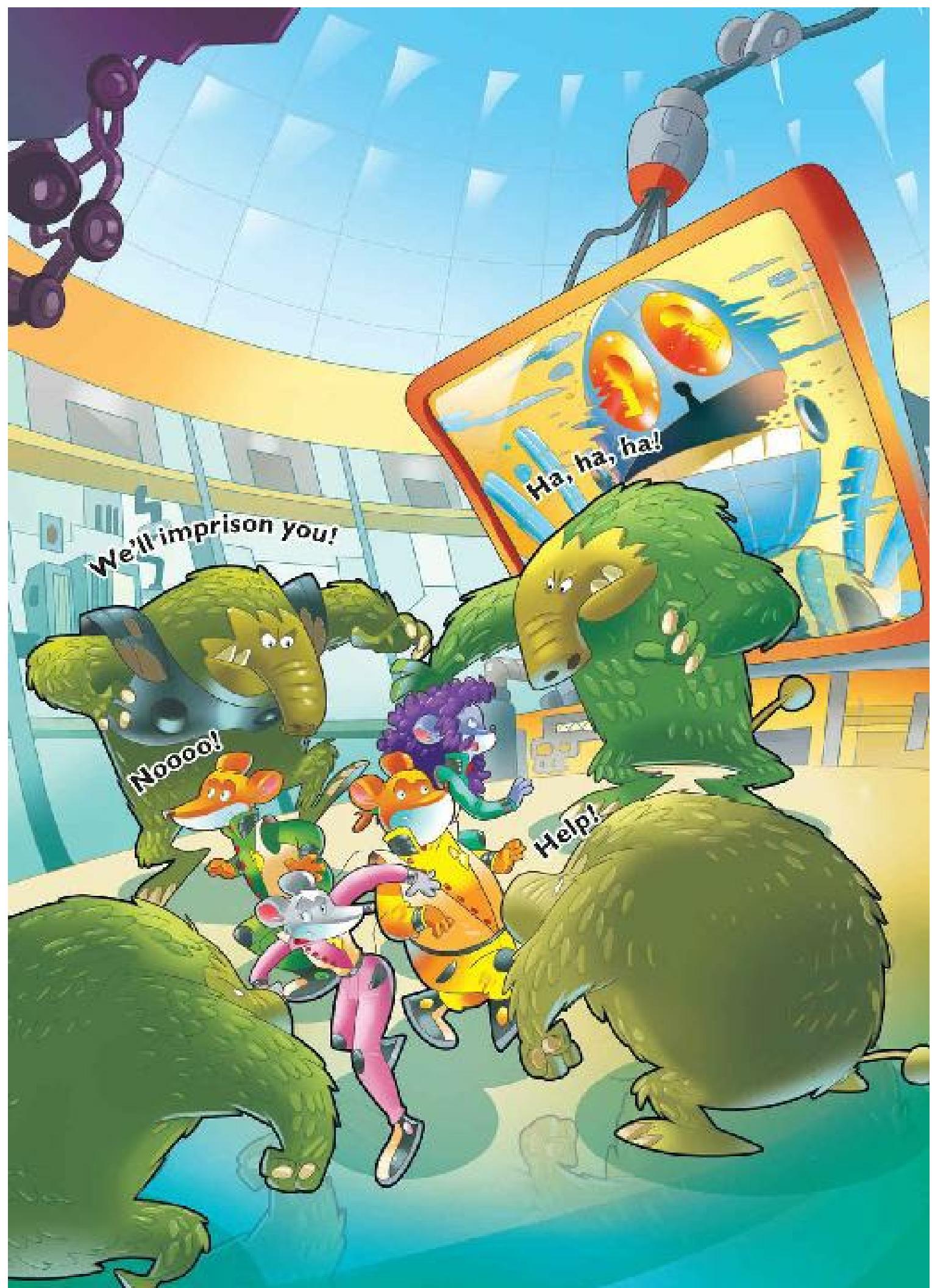
"Wh-why?" I squeaked.

"Because it's the same thing that's going to happen to you!" he exclaimed, laughing. He turned to his companions and ordered, **"GRAB THEM!"**

Rat-munching robots, I was frightened out of my fur!

As quick as comets, the Scaleers surrounded us. They led us to a big building cloaked in **darkness**.

One of them waved an arm at the building.





## TRAPPED!

“Welcome to the Lockix megastadium!”

As we went inside, another added, “Don’t try any tricks! There are always guards watching the doors. There’s no *escape*!”

Then the Scaleers left, locking the enormous door behind them.

I was squeakless. We were **trapped!**

Wait one whisker-loving minute—we weren’t all here! Where were Benjamin and Bugsy Wugsy?

Thea noticed the panicked look on my snout. “I saw them slip away,” she said quietly. “I’m sure they’re safe!”

**PHEW!** At least my beloved nephew and his friend weren’t trapped in this horrible place with us!

I sighed. “Mousey meteorites, we’re done for! We’ll never be able to stop those space scoundrels . . .”



At that moment, a **VOICE** whispered from the shadows, “Who are you?”

**I nearly jumped out of my fur! Who said that?**

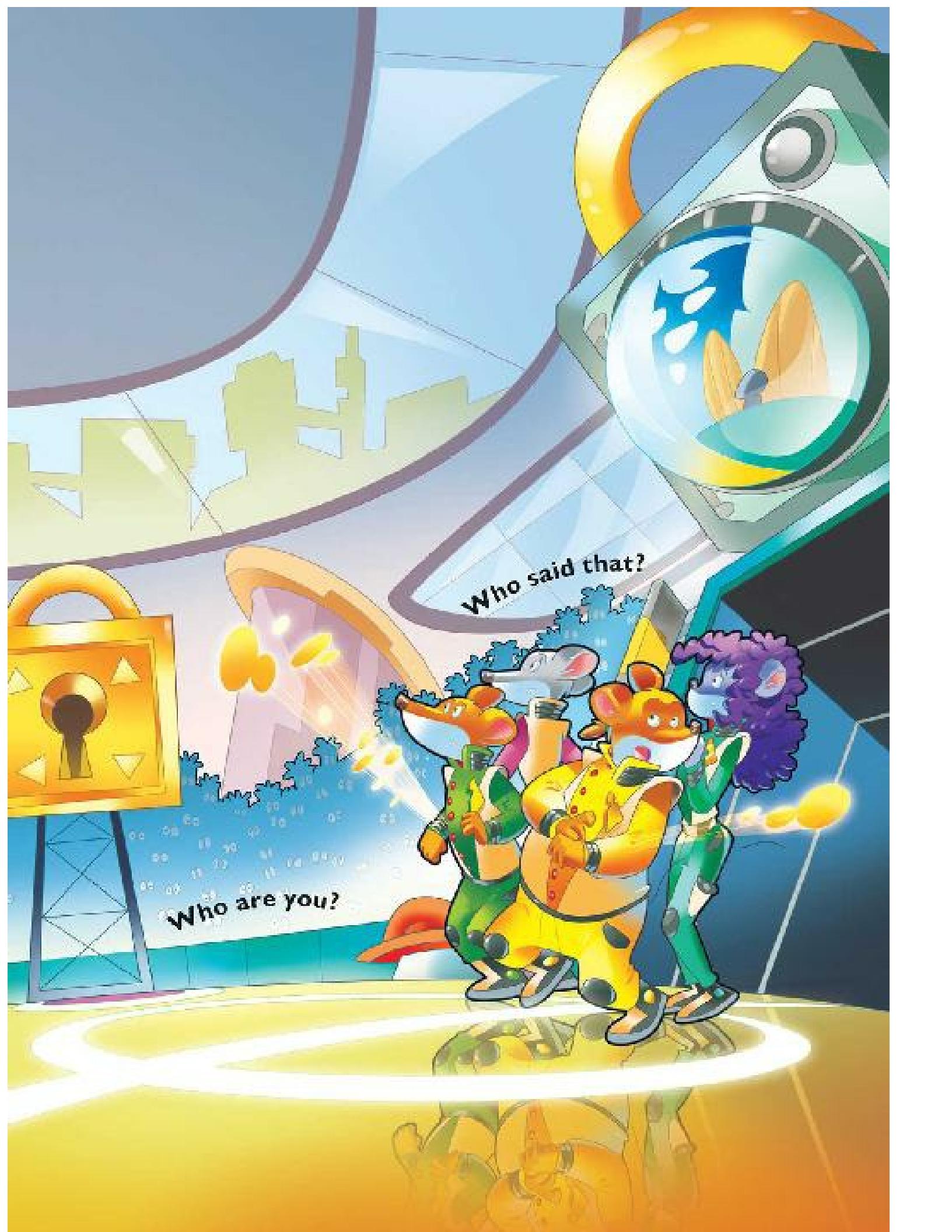
We flipped on the flashlights on our **WRIST COMMUNICATORS** and looked around. Swiss supernovas—the stands were filled with small aliens! They stared at us with a mixture of curiosity and fear. I suddenly understood—these were the real inhabitants of Lockix, the **Eh-Hems!**



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## Now WE'RE HERE, Too!

Thea breathed a sigh of relief. "You're the inhabitants of **LOCKIX**, right? Are you all right? What happened?"

No one answered. In fact, the alien who seemed like the **LEADER** of the Eh-Hems took a step backward and turned his back to us.

How mousetastically **STRANGE**!

But then I thought about what we had read in the *Encyclopedia Galactica*, and it all made sense!

I whispered to my friends, "Remember what we learned about the Eh-Hems when we first arrived here? They are a very private



## Now WE'RE HERE, Too!

species. That's why they're behaving like this—they're **Shy**!"

Trap exclaimed, "Good thinking, Gerry Berry! That must be it. You know how to get them to speak to us, right?"

I held up my paws in protest.  
**"I actually—"**

But Trap pushed me toward the Eh-Hems. "A true captain always knows how to gain the **trust** of a shy and private alien population."

Stinky space cheese, he couldn't be serious!

**"Go on, Cousin!"** he continued. "We'll all support you from afar."

Then he left me alone in front of the very confused Eh-Hems.

**Squeeeeak! Why did this sort of thing always happen to me?**



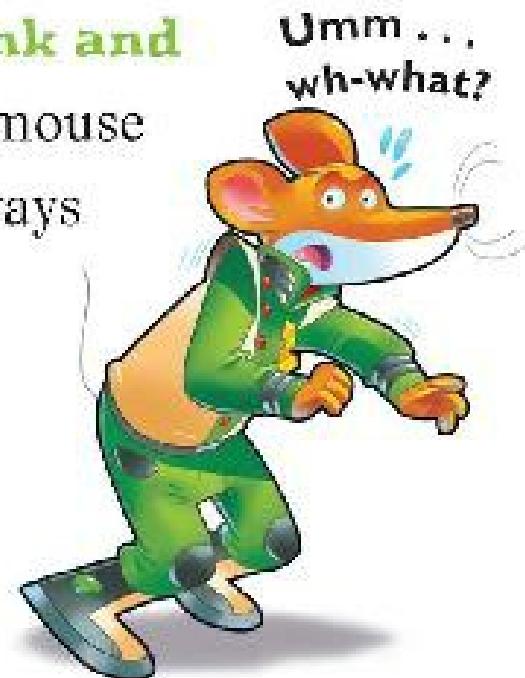
I tried to start a conversation with the aliens. "Hello! Well . . . I . . ."

The leader of the Eh-Hems gave me a look that made me shut my snout.

I glanced toward Thea, who nodded encouragingly. Next to her, Trap was waving his arms like a **soccerix fan**. Sally gave me a smile and a thumbs-up. Holey space cheese, I couldn't **disappoint** my friends! But what in the universe could I do to gain the trust of these aliens?

I began to **think and think and think** . . . until I got a fabumouse idea. The best thing is always to tell the **TRUTH**!

I gathered my **COURAGE** and turned back to the Eh-Hems. "Friends, I am





## Now We're Here, Too!

Geronimo Stiltonix, captain of the spacemice. We landed on Lockix to help you, but instead, we got into a **COSMIC MESS!** We are truly sorry!"

The head of the **Fh-Hems** stopped glaring at me, cleared his throat, and spoke in a tiny voice. "Eh-hem . . . eh-hem . . ."



## Now WE'RE HERE, Too!



I noticed that he was blushing slightly.  
Those aliens were **TREMENDOUSLY** shy!

"Thank you for your honesty, spacemice.  
We Eh-Hems appreciate those who tell the  
truth. Now we know that we can **trust**  
you."

I squeaked a sigh of relief.

*We want to help you!*





## Now WE'RE HERE, Too!

Thanks, spacemice!



He went on. "My name is Sam Shyguy, and I am the governor of Lockix. Our planet was invaded by the **Scaleers** just after the Planetary Invisibility System broke. We refused to help fix it, so the deceptiods locked us in here."

Meteoric mozzarella, once the Eh-Hems got over their shyness they were really very **COURAGEOUS** little aliens!

Thea walked up next to me. "But why didn't you ask for help from neighboring planets?" she asked Sam.

Sam sighed. "We Eh-Hems are very **reserved** aliens, but we are also very **proud**. We have always managed to do everything on our own. We don't know



anyone we can trust because our planet has been **INVISIBLE** for so long.”

“So that’s why there’s no spaceport on Lockix,” Thca squeaked.

“And there’s **INFORMATION** about you missing from the *Encyclopedia Galactica* because you’ve been isolated for eons,” Sally added.

Trap squeaked up. “Yeah, there aren’t even any recipe books from Lockix!”

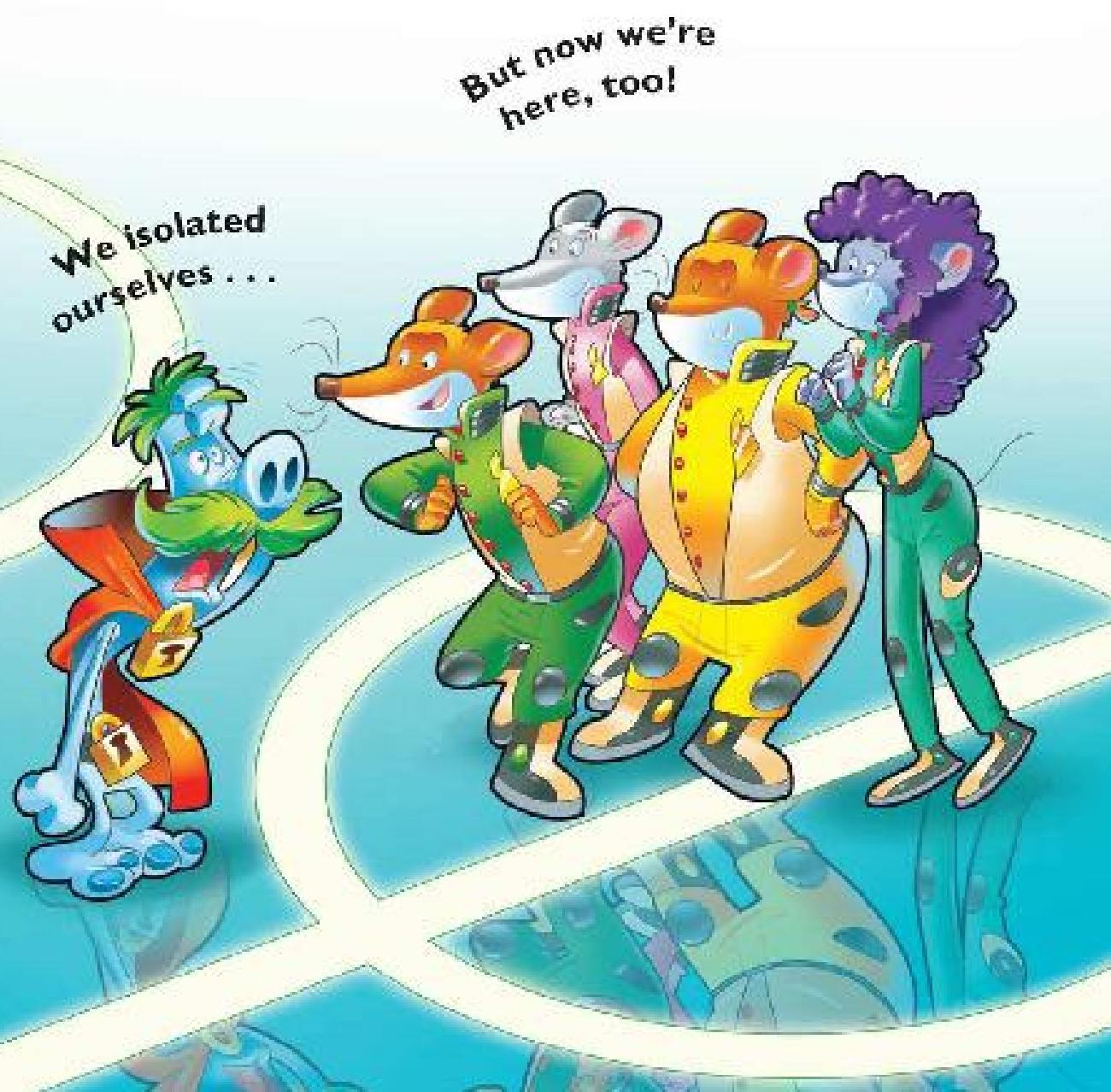
Sam nodded shyly. “Yes, in fact, we Eh-Hems have never really been interested in meeting other aliens. We invented the **PLANETARY INVISIBILITY SYSTEM** because we wanted to prevent anyone from landing on our planet. We have always been **HAPPY** on our own—but now we understand that there are situations we cannot handle alone!”



## Now We're Here, Too!

My friends and I exchanged understanding looks. Then Thea declared, **"You aren't alone anymore — now we're here, too!"**

Sam's face lit up with a smile, and all the Eh-Hems behind him grinned at us, too.





My friends and I exclaimed as one,

**"Spacemice for one,  
spacemice for all!  
We will help you!"**

Sam was clearly moved. "Thank you, spacemice! Maybe now, with your help, all is not lost . . ."



## WE NEED A PLAN!

At that moment, we heard a strange

**CREEEAAAK**

and suddenly the stadium floor lit up! I nearly jumped out of my fur. Galactic globs of Gouda, what was going on?

I was about to **Faint** in fright when Benjamin and Bugsy Wugsy popped out of the megastadium's athlete entrance!

Benjamin cried, "Uncle, we need to tell you something!"

I hugged him tight. "It's **MARVEMOUSE** to see you, mouselets! But where were you hiding? Are you the ones who lit up the ground just now?"

"After we snuck off, we **FOLLOWED**

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you hiding?

Mouselets!



## WE NEED A PLAN!

you from afar," Benjamin explained. "When we saw that the Scaleers were bringing you into the megastadium, we looked for a service entrance. We hid down in the room reserved for the space referee."

Benjamin pointed to a **S M A L L** **R O O M** shaped like a lock right above the athletes' entrance.

"Using the *audio system*, we could hear everything!" he went on. "Once we heard that you had befriended the Eh-Hems, we turned on the lights—and here we are!"

Bugsy Wugsy tugged on my tail. "Uncle G, we have some bad news, too. We overheard that the Scaleers are preparing for another **SPACE RAID!**!"

I turned as **WHITE** as Martian mozzarella. Green cheesy moons, we couldn't catch a break!



Luckily, Sally squeaked up. "First, we need to get out of here. We can use the **SERVICE DOOR** that the mouselets came through. It sounds like it's unguarded."

Sam shook his head. "Once we're outside, the Scaleers will simply **capture** us again!"

Trap scratched his snout thoughtfully. "We need to stick together and defeat the Scaleers using our **wits**."

"I agree," Thea said. "But **HOW**?"



## AN IRRESISTIBLE CHALLENGE!

I sighed heavily. Rat-munching robots, we didn't have any idea how to **OUTSMART** the Scaleers!

Just then Sam Shyguy cried, "I've got it! While we were trapped in here, we heard the Scaleer guards chatting . . . and we discovered their *weak spot*."

"**Tell us!**" Thea said with a smile. "**What is it?**"

"We noticed that the Scaleers like to **SNICKER** and **SNEER** a lot," Sam explained. "In fact, there is only one challenge they cannot resist: the Interspace Joke Challenge!"

## AN IRRESISTIBLE CHALLENGE!



### The **INTERSPACE JOKE CHALLENGE**?

Cheesy comets, I had never even heard of it!

My friends were surprised, too. “**WHAT IS THAT?**” they asked together.

**From the Encyclopedia Galactica**

### **THE INTERSPACE JOKE CHALLENGE**

**The most famous team joke competition in the cosmos.**

**Rules:** Each team tells one joke per turn. If the other teams laugh, they pass the round; if not, they are eliminated. (You are not allowed to tickle your opponents!) The final team left after all other teams have been eliminated wins.

**Teams are eliminated if:**

1. The opposing team does not laugh.
2. They run out of jokes.
3. They don't respect the rules.

**Reigning champions: The Scaleers!**





## AN IRRESISTIBLE CHALLENGE!

Sam explained, “It’s the most famous team joke competition in the cosmos! Whoever tells the **FUNNIEST** jokes wins. A team is eliminated when it runs out of jokes to tell or tells a joke that doesn’t make anyone **LAUGH**. If we challenge the Scaleers, they will surely accept—after all, they’re the reigning champions!”

### Squeek! A joke competition?

Leaping light-years, I never would have thought of that!

Sam added, “I’ve been thinking about this for a while, but I didn’t do anything about it because we Eh-Hems are too **Shy**. But with the spacemice on our side, we can conquer our shyness!”

Trap gave Sam a high five. “**I’M IN, FRIENDS!**”

## AN IRRESISTIBLE CHALLENGE!



"It seems like our best chance to get out of here," Thea added thoughtfully.

"We'll help you, too!" Benjamin exclaimed. "Bugsy Wugsy and I know a ton of fabumouse jokes from school!"

My friends' enthusiasm gave me courage. I shook Sam's hand and said, "Of course

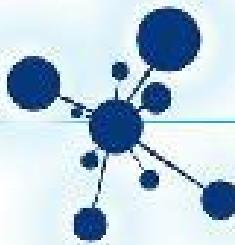




## AN IRRESISTIBLE CHALLENGE!

we'll help you—let's **CHALLENGE** the Scaleers!"

With that, we called the guards. The **INTERSPACE JOKE CHALLENGE** was about to begin!



## A DARING DEAL

The guards led us to the main square of Lockix, where we found ourselves snout-to-trunk with **Claw** again. Solar smoked Gouda, he seemed even more frightening, more wicked, and more **STINKY** than ever!

Next to our space shuttle was an **enormouse spacecraft**. The Scaleers were preparing for departure—we needed to hurry!

I tried to stand tall as I squeaked, “W-well . . . we spacemice, along with the Eh-Hems, invite you to take part in an Interspace Joke Challenge!”

The leader of the Scaleers snickered. “You will never beat us. We are the reigning **galactic champions!**”



## A DARING DEAL

My whiskers wobbled—I could sense some **cosmic trouble** approaching!

Seeing that my fur was standing on end, Sam gathered his courage and said, “We’ll see about that! Here is our condition: If we **win**, you Scaleers need to leave our planet . . . for good.”

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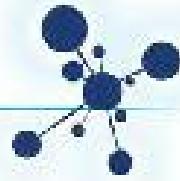
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his space cape. I knew that we were all **worried**, but what choice did we have? This was the only way to free Lockix!

Sam and I shook Claw's hand and accepted his conditions.

**THE DEAL WAS DONE - SQUEAK!**





## OUT-OF-THIS-WORLD JOKES!

As we got ready to begin the competition, I couldn't keep my knees from **wobbling** like cottage cheese all over again. On the other paw, the Scaleers were trememdously calm. They kept elbowing one another and **SNICKERING**.

"Since you're **new** at this, your team can go first," Claw proposed.

Trap began with a classic joke. "What is a cooking robot's preferred condiment? **MOTOR OIL!**"

The Eh-Hems burst out laughing . . . and even the Scaleers couldn't hold back their giggles!

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One of the deceptiods was up next. “What’s a space pirate’s favorite food? **LUNAR BARRRRR-BECUE!**”

Stellar Swiss balls, those Scaleers were really good!

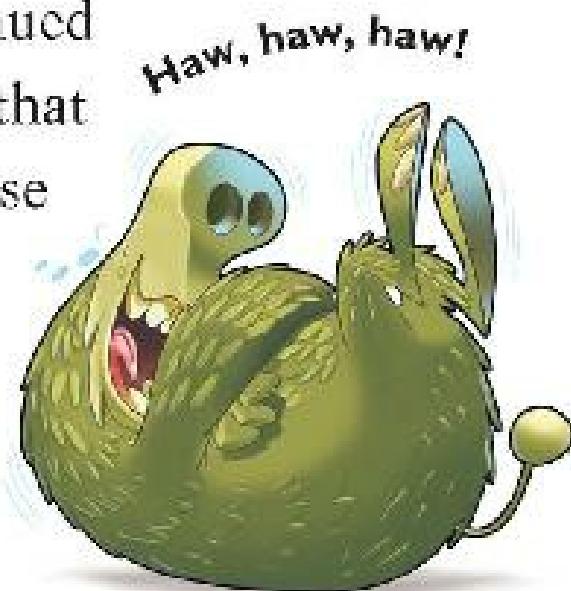
Bugsy Wugsy and Benjamin took a turn. “What did the spacemouse say the first time he tasted Plutonian provolone? **That’s out of this world!**”

All of the aliens **snickered**. I was so proud of our mouselets!

The competition continued for hours. It turned out that we all knew an enormous number of jokes!

Eventually, Sam Shyguy was up against **Fang**, a huge Scaleer.

Sam **timidly** stepped

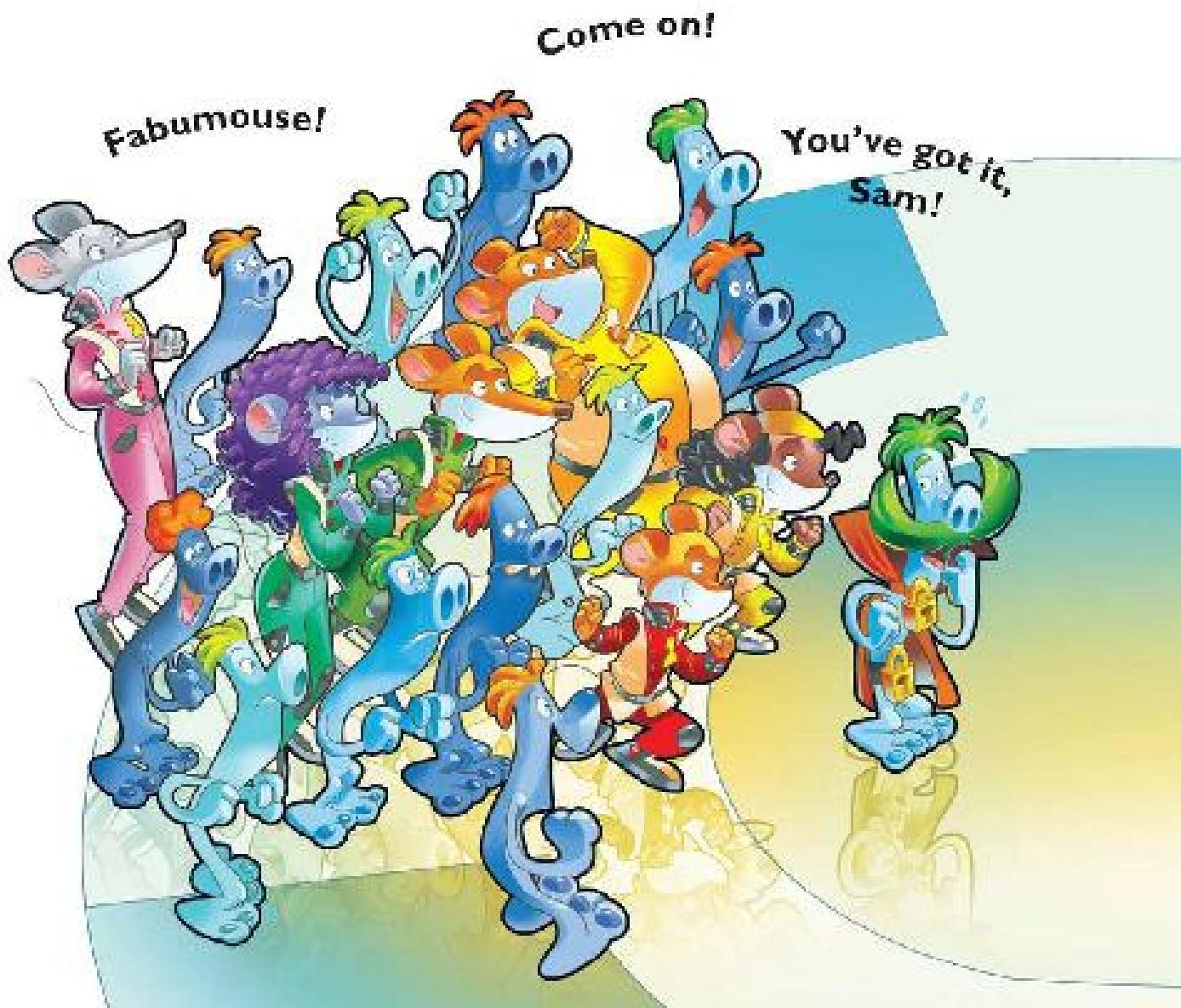




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forward. "What's . . . umm . . . the o-only thing a p-planet could a-ask for?"

Then he stopped. Mousey meteorites! We had to do something, or this would be the end of **LOCKIX**!



## OUT-OF-THIS-WORLD JOKES!



We all cheered, "You're fabumouse, Sam!  
You've got it!"

The supershy alien seemed to collect himself. He looked at us gratefully and repeated, "What is the only thing a **PLANET**





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could ask for? **A LITTLE . . . SPACE!**

The Scaleers tried to keep their composure, but it was useless—they all burst out **laughing**.

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We all stared silently at Fang as he cleared his throat.

Then he **SCRATCHED** his head.

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In the end, he took a deep breath and began to stutter, “T-two c-cosmobandits e-enter a r-room aaaand . . . aaaaand . . . aaaaand . . .”

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Fang stayed silent. Claw stopped smiling, the Eh-Hems all held their breath. We spacemice looked at one another hopefully.

Fang began to **sweat** and whispered in a tiny voice, “Uh . . . ummm, boss? Um, I’ve **RUN OUT** **OF JOKES** . . . I can’t even make anything up. Nothing is coming to mind!”

The Eh-Hems exploded in **shouts of joy** as Claw glared at Fang.

“**We did it!**” Trap squeaked.

Bugsy Wugsy and Benjamin high-fived, and Sally cried, “**Hooray for the spacemice!** **Hooray for the Eh-Hems!**”

Starry space dust! We had managed to

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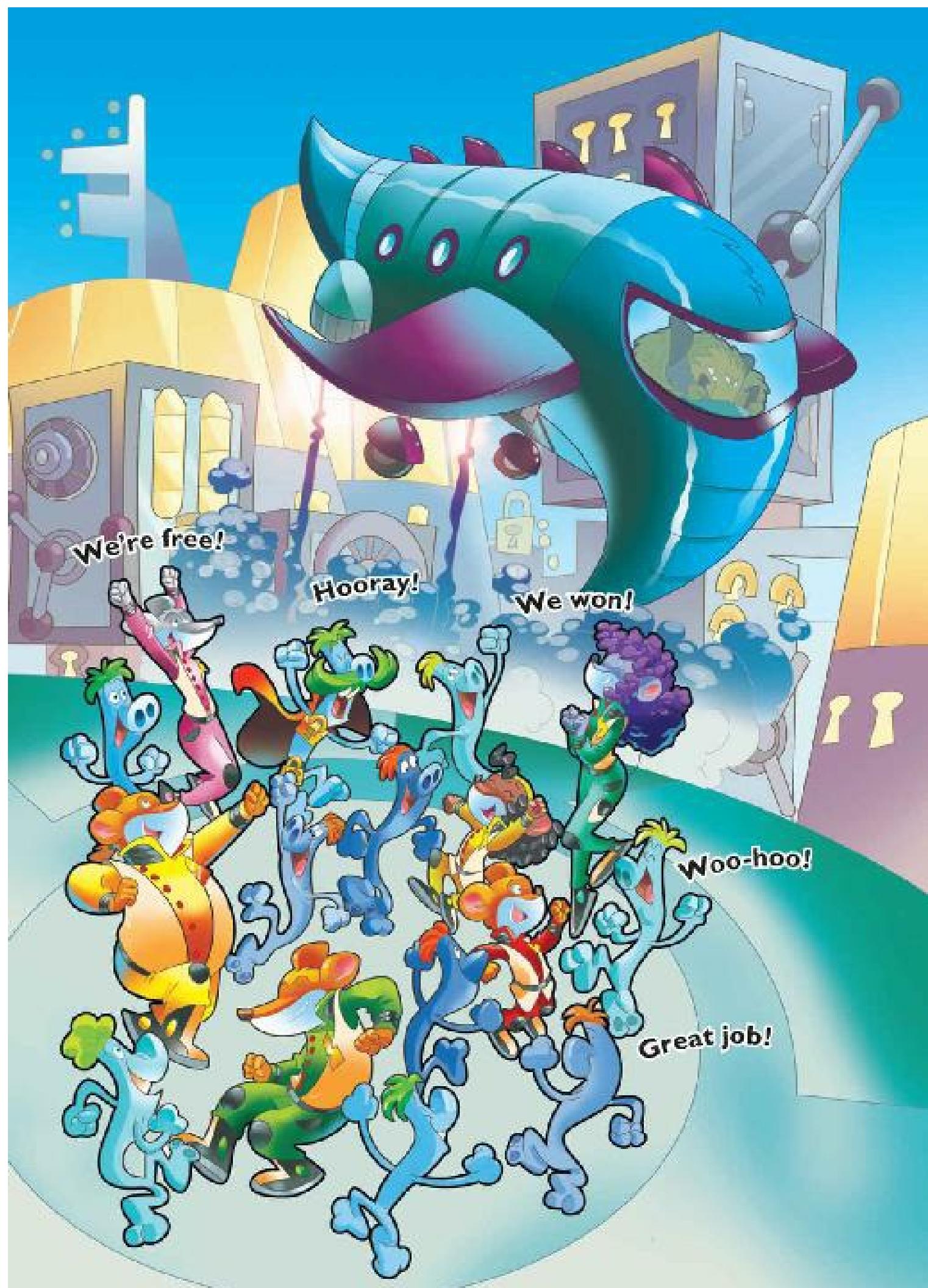




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defeat those fur-raising **space pirates**!

At that moment, Sam held up his hands for silence. "The Scaleers have lost the **INTERSPACE JOKE CHALLENGE**. As promised, they must leave Planet Lockix at once!"



We're free!

Hooray!

We won!

Woo-hoo!

Great job!



## TRUE FRIENDS!

Once the Scaleers finally left the planet, it was time for us **spacemice** to head home, too.

Sam shook my paw. “We can’t thank you enough for your **help**, spacemice. Without you, we would still be trapped back at the stadium!”

Sally smiled. “Now don’t forget, always maintain your Planetary Invisibility System, otherwise you risk having it **jam** again and—”

But Sam interrupted her. “Oh, there will be no need!”

**What in the galaxy was he talking about?** “Why not?”

I asked.

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Sam smiled as he explained. "Thanks to you, we now understand that we shouldn't stay so closed off. We need to learn to **trust** others—that's the only way to meet new aliens who are as nice as you! So we no longer need the **PLANETARY INVISIBILITY SYSTEM**. We're going to turn it off forever!"



## TRUE FRIENDS!

"That's **HOUSERIFIC** news!" Thea cried.

Sam continued. "That's not all. We also decided to build a spaceport—that way, you can come back and visit us whenever you want!"

We all hugged one another happily, then said good-bye to our new friends and boarded our **EXPLORATION SPACE SHUTTLE**.

Leaping lunar cheese balls, it was clear to me that the most important treasure in the whole cosmos is **true friendship!**



# FRIENDSHIP IS FORTUNE

We returned to *MouseStar 1*, where Grandfather William and Professor Greenfur greeted us eagerly. They were *curious* to hear the details of our mission.

When I'd finished telling them the story, Grandfather exclaimed, "**Fabumouse job, Grandson!** See? When you try hard, even you manage to do something good!"

I felt my fur turn red, from the ends of my ears to the tip of my tail. I was **HAPPY** that Grandfather was pleased with me, but

**Well done,  
Grandson!**





## FRIENDSHIP IS FORTUNE

even **HAPPIER** that everything had turned out for the best on Planet Lockix.

Just then Benjamin ran up and gave me an enormous **hug**. “You’re a mouscrific captain, Uncle!”

Bugsy Wugsy, Trap, Thea, and Sally all **squeezed** me in a big group hug and squeaked,

“**HOORAY FOR CAPTAIN STILTONIX!**”





It was wonderful to be surrounded by **so many friends!**

“All’s well that ends well!” I said. “But now I must go change my **spacesuit**. I want to get comfortable and—”

Trap interrupted me. “Just a whisker-loving minute! Aren’t you forgetting something, Cousin?”

I tried to remember my **urgent** appointments. Oh, for all the planets out of orbit, nothing was coming to mind!

My friends put their arms around me and led me along. As we walked, I kept **thinking and thinking and thinking . . .**

What had I forgotten?

Cosmic cheese rays, I was concentrating so hard that I didn’t even pay attention to where they were taking me!

So, when I lifted my snout up . . .



## FRIENDSHIP IS FORTUNE

**SQUEEEAK!** We were back at **Astro Park!**

“Uncle, we can finally **RIDE** the ShatterMousix!” Benjamin exclaimed.

Bugsy Wugsy grinned. “Now that the mission is over, we can go a **million** times!”

“And we’ll sit in the front row!” Trap added, nudging me with his elbow.

**Oh no—**

*the ShatterMousix!*



For the love of space cheese, I had forgotten about the **ShatterMousix!** And now I didn’t have any excuse to turn back!

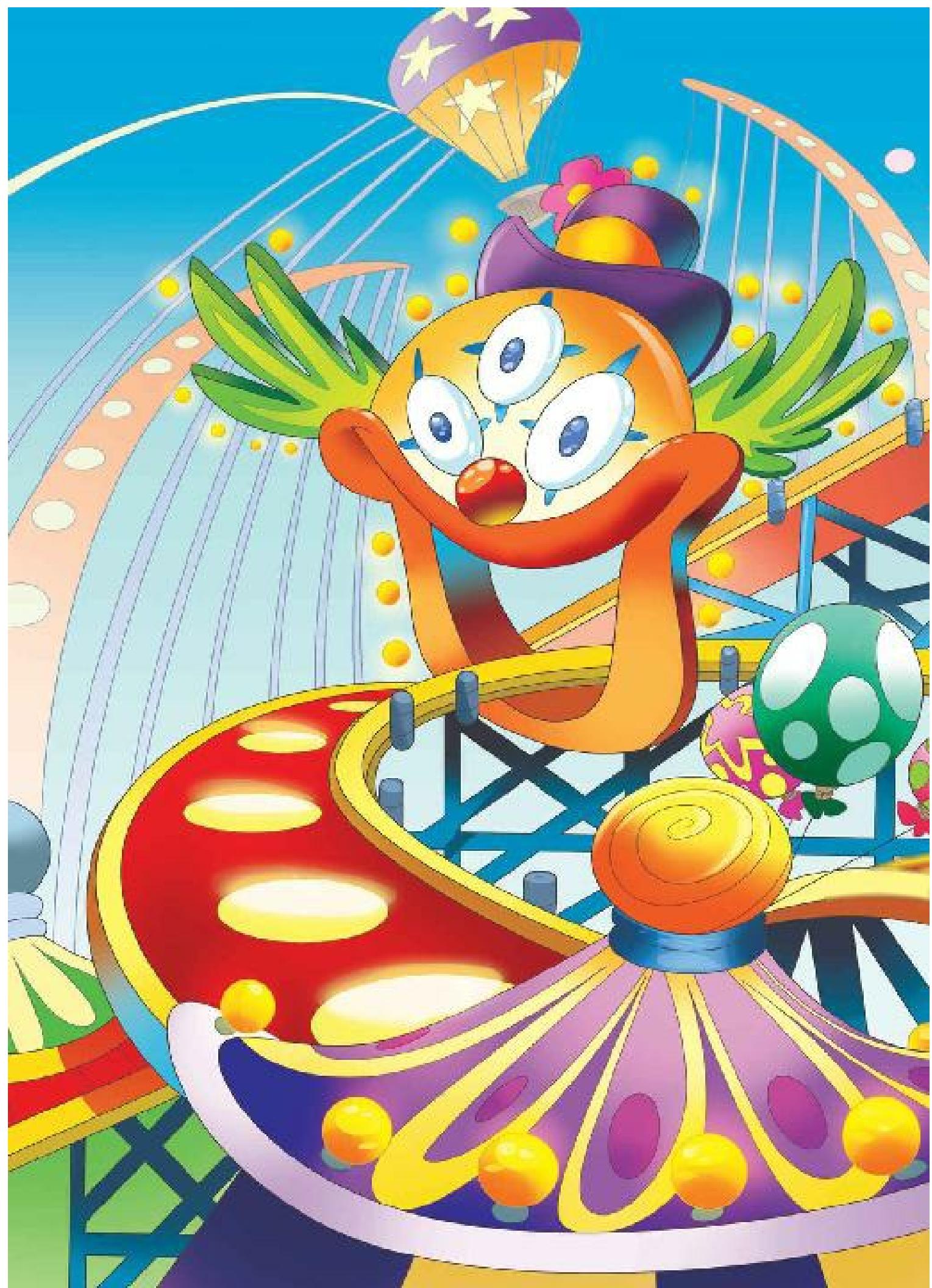
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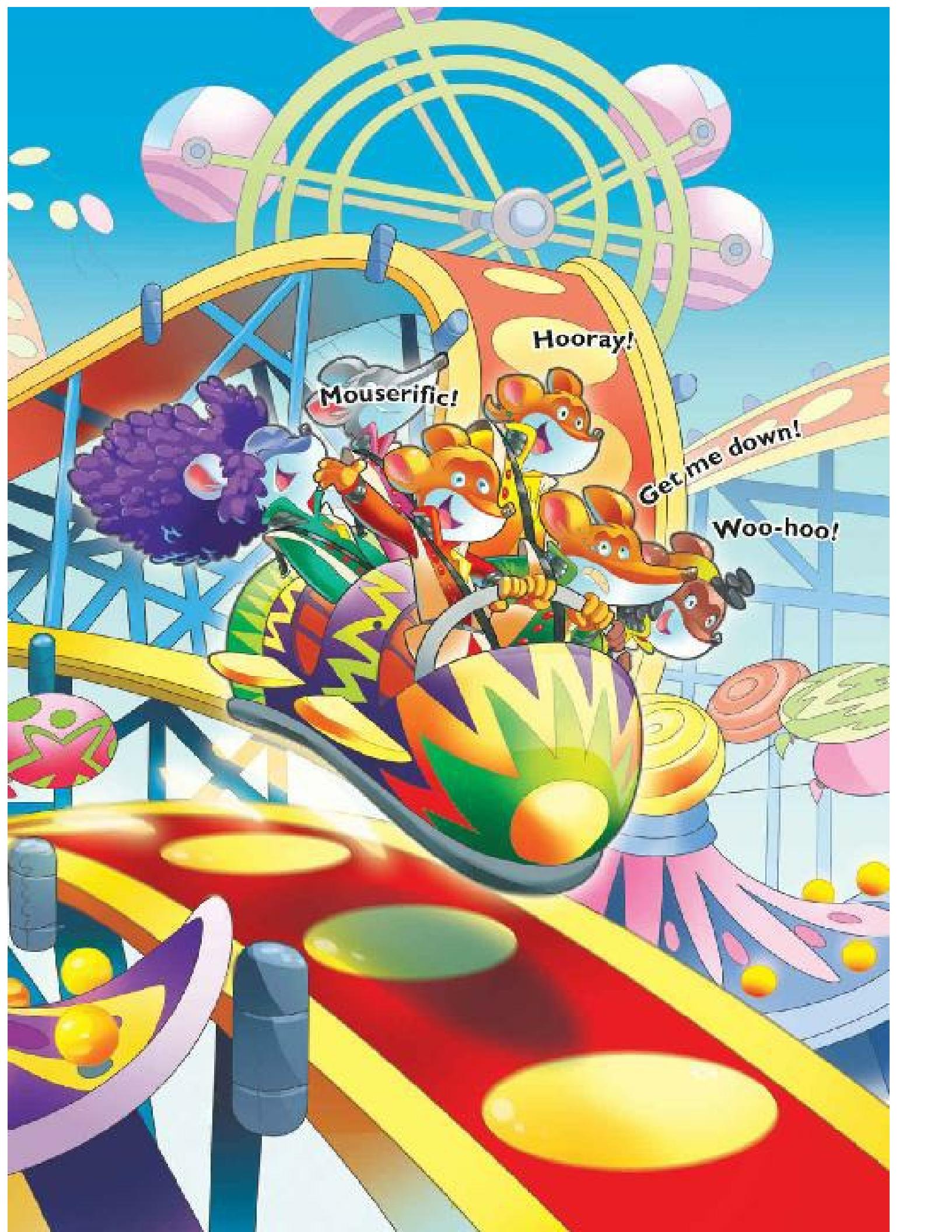
After all, even if it was a mousetastically fur-raising experience, being with my



friends made me feel more **COURAGEOUS**. Plus, the adventure on planet Lockix had taught me that being too timid wasn't always a fabumouse idea.

I couldn't wait to put my paws up and have a nice, quiet evening . . . but there's sure to be another stellar adventure on the horizon, or my name isn't **Geronimo Stiltonix**, captain of the *MouseStar 1*!





Mouserific!

Hooray!

Get me down!

Woo-hoo!



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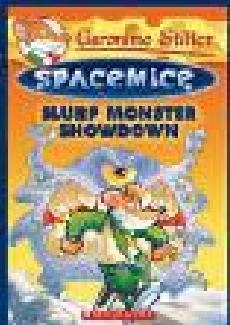
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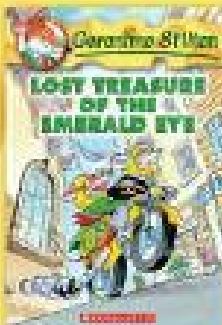
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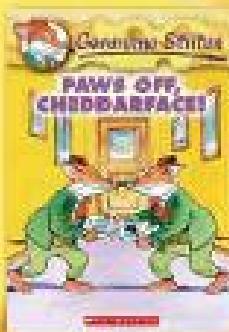
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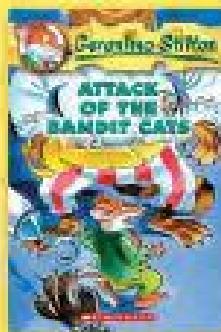
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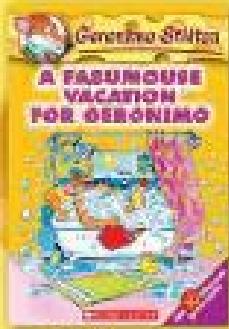
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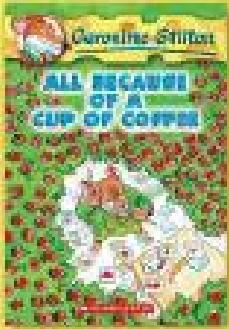
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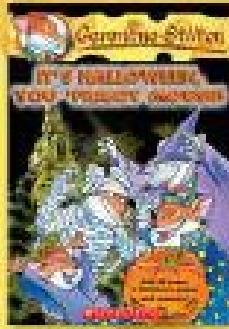
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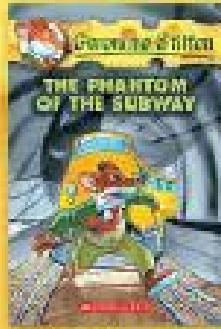
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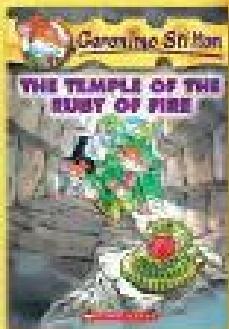
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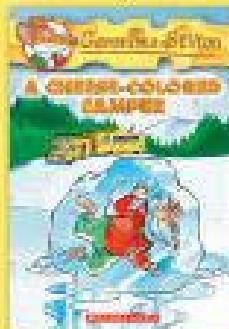
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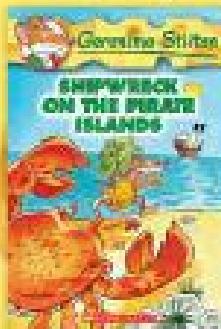
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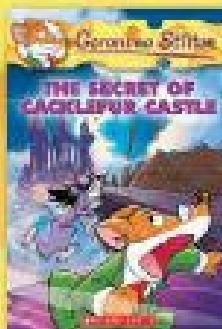
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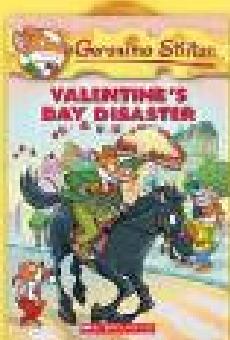
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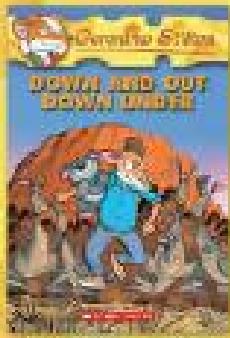
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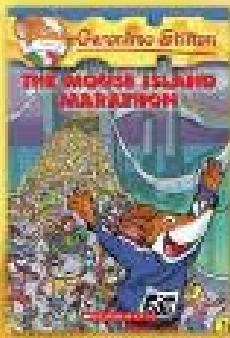
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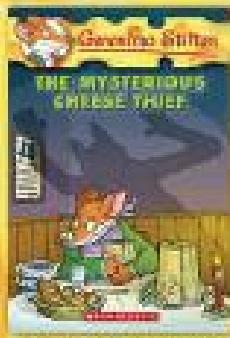
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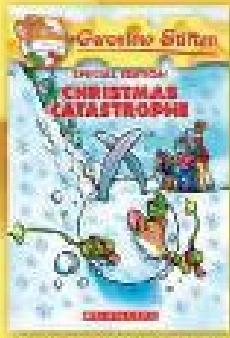
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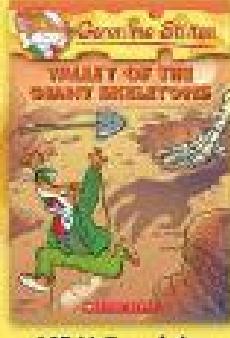
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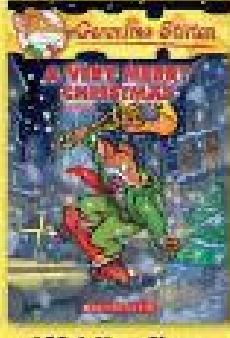
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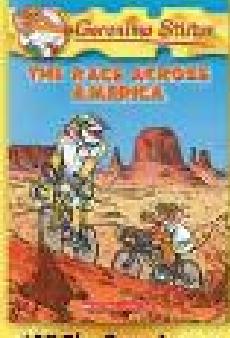
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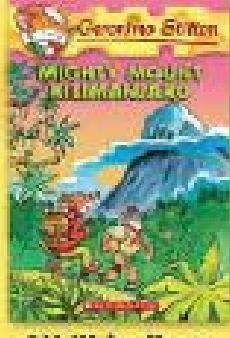
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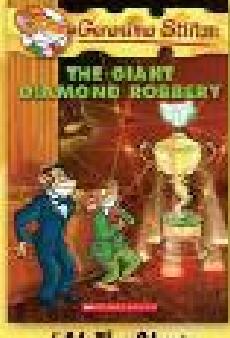
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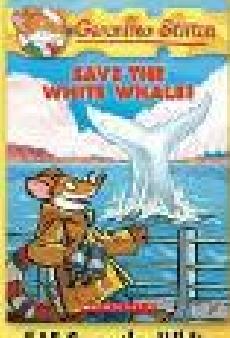
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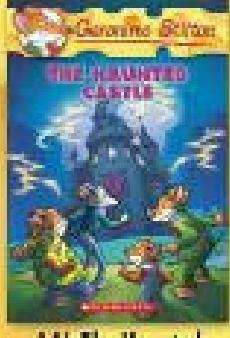
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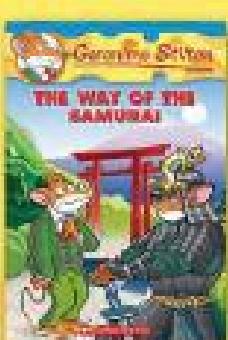
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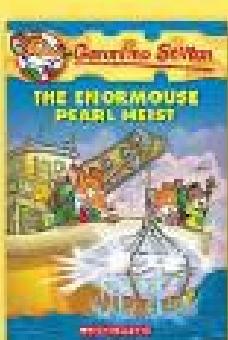
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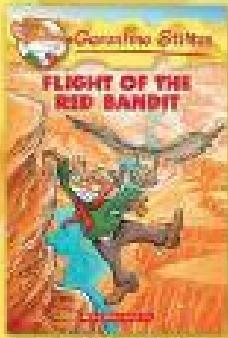
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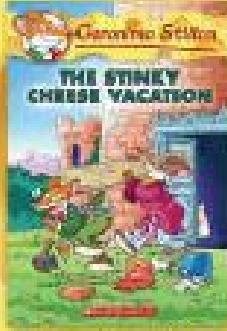
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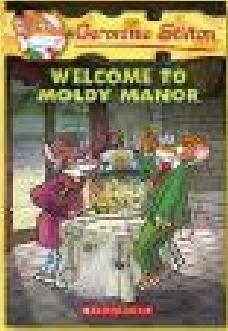
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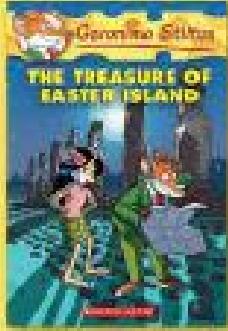
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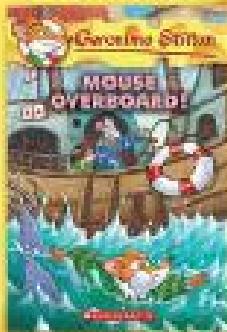
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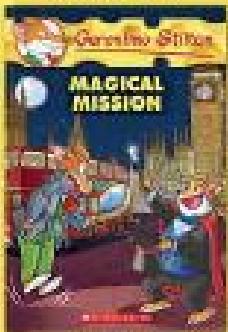
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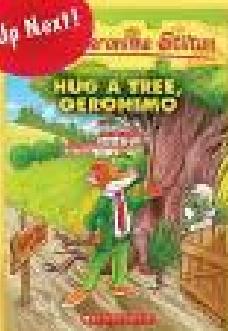
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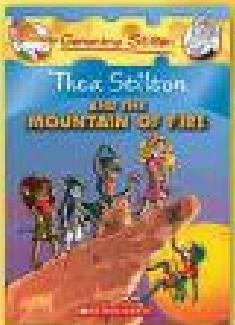




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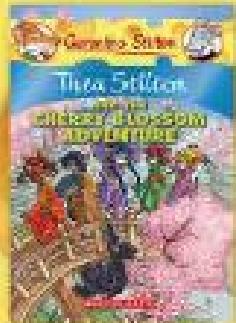
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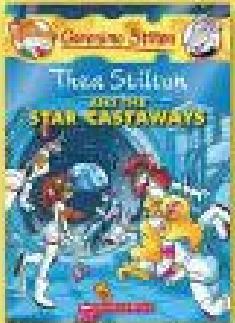
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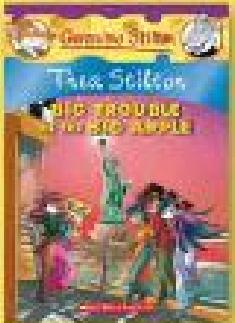
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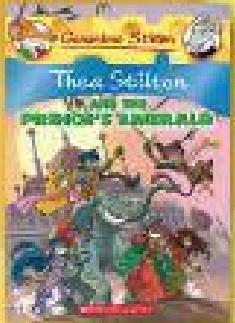
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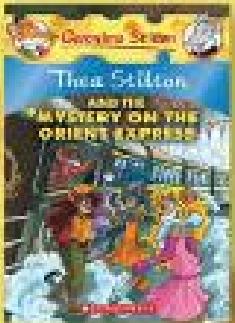
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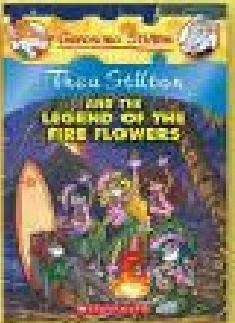
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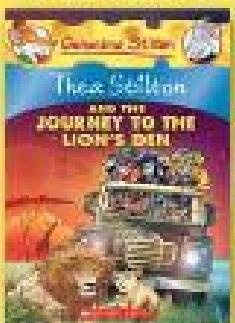
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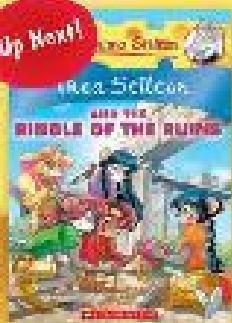
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# MouseStar!

The spaceship, home, and refuge of the spacemice!





1. Control room
2. Gigantic telescope
3. Greenhouse to grow plants and flowers
4. Library and reading room
5. Astral Park, an amusement park
6. Space Yum Café
7. Kitchen
8. Liftrix, the special elevator that moves between all floors of the spaceship
9. Computer room
10. Crew cabins
11. Theater for space shows
12. Warp-speed engines
13. Tennis court and swimming pool
14. Multipurpose technogym
15. Space pods for exploration
16. Cargo hold for food supply
17. Natural biosphere

*Dear mouse friends,  
thanks for reading,  
and good-bye until the next book.  
See you in outer space!*





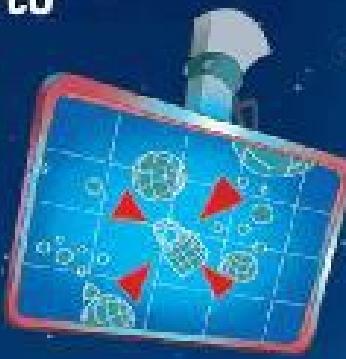
# Meet GERONIMO STILTONIX



He is a spacemouse — the Geronimo Stilton of a parallel universe! He is captain of the spaceship *MouseStar 1*. While flying through the cosmos, he visits distant planets and meets crazy aliens. His adventures are out of this world!

## THE iNViSiBLE PLANET

There is a strange planet appearing and disappearing from the radar on *MouseStar 1*! Geronimo and the crew land on the mysterious planet to investigate. When they arrive, they discover the aliens who live there are hiding a secret. Can the crew solve the mystery and save the planet before it's too late?



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